## **ERT Report Instrument**

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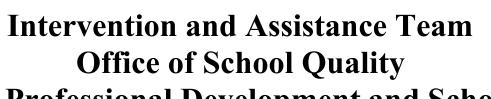
School: Allendale-Fairfax High School

#### **FOCUS AREAS**

Leadership and Governance
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## Leadership and Governance

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FOCU	FOCUS AREA: Leadership and Governance				
Number L&G		<b>STANDARD:</b> The school evidences an acceptance of shared responsibility for improving student performance by administrators, teachers, parents, students, and the community and takes action to improve classroom practice and student performance.			
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Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 1.1	59-18- 110	School policies or procedures are designed to support the use of academic achievement standards to assist the school and students in achieving higher levels of performance by aligning school standards and assessments with state standards and assessments.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  There are some local policies or procedures that address alignment of state and local standards and assessments with state standards and assessment.  Policies or procedures exist that support the use of academic achievement standards to assist the school and students in achieving higher levels of performance by aligning school standards and assessments; however, they are not being followed.  There are no policies or procedures on the local level that support academic achievement standards by aligning local standards and assessments to state standards and assessments to state standards and assessments to state	<ul> <li>□ The school leadership must review, revise, and/or modify existing polices or procedures to support the use of academic achievement standards that assist schools and students in achieving higher performance by aligning local standards and assessments to state standards and assessments.</li> <li>□ The school leadership must take immediate action to enforce existing policies or procedures that support the use of academic achievement standards to assist the school and students in achieving higher levels of performance by aligning school standards and assessments.</li> <li>□ The school leadership must develop policies and procedures to support the use of the academic achievement standards that assist schools and students in achieving higher performance by aligning local standards and assessment to state standards and assessments.</li> </ul>	Office of Governmental Affairs  Provide models for policies and procedures.  Office of School Quality  Broker services through the South Carolina School Board Association to  provide an annual policy workshop or policy review with the board;  review the Board's policies prior to adoption;  review all new or revised policies formally adopted by the board for content, format, and legal compliance; and  provide sample policies upon request.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 1.2	59-18- 900	The principal, in conjunction with the school improvement council (SIC), has written a narrative response to the annual report card that articulates the school's progress. The narrative cites the specific factors or activities that support progress and the barriers that inhibit progress.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  The SIC did not participate in the written narrative response to the annual report card.  The narrative response does not address the specific factors or activities that support school progress and the barriers that inhibit progress.  There is no written narrative response to the annual report card.	<ul> <li>□ The principal, in conjunction with the SIC, must revise and redistribute the narrative response to the annual report card.</li> <li>□ The school leadership must attend the SCSIC training session on writing the annual report.</li> <li>☑ The principal, in conjunction with the SIC, must revise the existing narrative to address the specific factors or activities that support progress and the barriers that inhibit progress.</li> <li>□ The principal, in conjunction with the school SIC, must develop a written narrative response to the annual report card.</li> </ul>	Office of School Quality  ☐ Broker the services of the South Carolina School Improvement Council (SCSIC) to provide the training session "Writing the Annual School Summary Report," which includes  • Report purpose; • Steps to writing the report; and • Samples and information display.  ☐ Broker the services of SCSIC to provide annual SIC training.  ☑ Provide guidance to the principal and the SIC in writing the written narrative response.  ☑ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 1.3	59-18-110	<ul> <li>▶ The district has policies or procedures to ensure the identification and provision of resources designed to strengthen the process of teaching and learning in the classroom, improve student performance, and address gaps in student performance. Funds are allocated on the basis of priorities identified in the district strategic plan or school renewal plan.</li> <li>▶ (District Driven Indicator)</li> <li>Findings:         <ul> <li>The above indicator is fulfilled.</li> <li>The district's policies or procedures do not ensure the identification and provision of resources to strengthen the quality of teaching and learning in the classroom.</li> <li>District funds are not allocated on the basis of priorities identified in the district strategic plan or the school renewal plan.</li> <li>Policies and procedures exist but are not being followed.</li> <li>The district has no written policies or procedures for this indicator.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	The district staff must revise existing policies or procedures to ensure the identification and provision of resources designed to strengthen the quality of teaching and learning in the classroom, improve student performance, and address gaps in student performance.  The district staff must review and revise its existing funding procedures to ensure appropriate allocation to needs identified in the district strategic plan or the school renewal plan.  The district staff must take immediate action to ensure existing policies and procedures are being followed.  The district staff must develop written policies or procedures to ensure the identification and provision of resources designed to strengthen the quality of teaching and learning in the classroom, improve student performance, and address gaps in student performance.	Office of Governmental Affairs  Provide models for policies and procedures.  Provide research to assist districts with making quality decisions relating to policies and procedures.  Office of School Quality  Provide or broker a workshop on writing policies and procedures.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.  Broker services through the South Carolina School Boards Association to  provide an annual policy workshop or policy review with the board;  review all new or revised policies formally adopted by the local board for content, format, and legal compliance; and  provide sample policies upon request.

Number Reference	Indicator	Recommendations Technical Assistance
L&G 59-18- 1.4 700	Policies or procedures specify that local instructional materials reflect the substance and level of performance outlined in the state standards, and these policies are being followed.	<ul> <li>□ The district/school leadership must review and revise and/or modify existing policies and procedures to adequately address the evaluation of its system of implementation and the efficiency and effectiveness of the academic improvement efforts.</li> <li>□ Office of Governmental Affairs</li> <li>□ Provide models for policies and procedures.</li> <li>□ Office of Governmental Affairs</li> <li>□ Provide models for policies and procedures.</li> </ul>
	Findings:  ☐ The above indicator is fulfilled. ☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled. ☐ The district has policies or procedures, but they are insufficient to accomplish the evaluation of the system. ☐ Policies and procedures exist but are not being followed. ☐ There are no policies or procedures that address the evaluation of the district's system of implementation or the efficiency and effectiveness of the academic improvement efforts. ☐ Teachers do not have the instructional materials they need to implement the curriculum.	<ul> <li>□ The district/school leadership must ensure that existing policies are complete and that instructional materials comprehensively reflect the substance and level of performance outlined in the state standards.</li> <li>□ The district/school leadership must provide written assurances that articulate how existing policies and procedures will be followed.</li> <li>□ The district/school leadership must develop policies or procedures specifying that local instructional materials reflect the substance and level of performance outlined in the state standards.</li> <li>□ The district/school leadership must ensure that teachers have the instructional materials they need</li> </ul>

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 1.5	59-1-440	A system is in place to ensure that priority during the school day is given to teaching and learning.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  A system is in place; however, it is not effective.  A system is in place; however, it is not being followed.  Instructional time is not maximized.  Classroom interruptions are not kept to a minimum.  The school does not have a system that ensures that the priority during the school day is teaching and learning.  Priority is not given to teaching and learning.	<ul> <li>□ The school leadership must revise and/or modify the existing system to ensure that it protects instructional time and establishes teaching and learning as a priority.</li> <li>□ School leadership must take steps to ensure that the system that maximizes teaching and learning opportunities and protects classroom-learning time is being fully implemented.</li> <li>□ School leadership must establish a system that maximizes teaching and learning opportunities and protects classroom-learning time.</li> </ul>	Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
L&G 1.6	59-1-440	The school's master schedule provides maximum time for teaching and learning.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  The master schedule is generally supportive of teaching and learning; however, modifications could be made to improve its overall effectiveness.  The school's master schedule does not maximize opportunities for teaching and learning.	<ul> <li>☐ The school leadership must revise and/or modify the existing schedule to ensure that it maximizes time for teaching and learning.</li> <li>☐ The school leadership must implement a schedule that maximizes time for teaching and learning.</li> </ul>	Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

FOCU	FOCUS AREA: Leadership and Governance			
		<b>STANDARD:</b> School administrators have individual professional growth plans, with annual updates, to support their individual growth and district and school needs as defined by the district's strategic plan and the school's renewal plan.		

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 2.1	59-24-40	Individual professional growth plans for <a href="mailto:principals">principals</a> are developed using the State Board of Education's criteria and standards for principal performance.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  The principal's individual professional growth plan does not include all of the required elements or is not aligned with the school renewal plan.  The principal does not have a professional growth plan.	<ul> <li>□ The professional growth plan for the principal must be reviewed and updated so that it is complete and compliant with the State Board of Education's criteria and standards for principal performance.</li> <li>□ An individual professional growth plan for the principal that it is complete and compliant with the State Board of Education's criteria and standards for principal performance must be created immediately.</li> </ul>	Office of School Leadership  Provide assistance with the development of individual professional development plans.  Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 2.2	59-24-30	All other school administrators have an ongoing individual professional development plans with annual updates that are appropriate to their role or position and are aligned with the school renewal plan.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  The professional development plans are not appropriate to the administrator's duties or are not aligned to the school renewal plan.  The professional development plans are on file but are not being implemented.  School administrators other than the principal do not have professional development plans.	<ul> <li>The individual professional development plan(s) for school administrator(s) must be updated or modified to ensure that it is appropriate to their role or position and is aligned to the school renewal plan.</li> <li>The school leadership must take action to implement the professional development plans for all other administrators.</li> <li>Individual professional development plan(s) for school administrator(s) must be created. The plan(s) must be appropriate to their role or position and aligned to the school renewal plan.</li> </ul>	Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

FOCU	FOCUS AREA: Leadership and Governance				
Number	Reference	STANDARD: Principals are involved in the selection, discipline, and dismissal of personnel in their school.			
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Number Refere	ce Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
Number         Reference           L&G         59-1           3.1         130	- Local polices or procedures direct principals to be actively	The district leadership must review and revise and/or modify policies and procedures to direct the active involvement of principals in the selection, discipline, and dismissal of personnel in their schools.  The district leadership must articulate a written plan to ensure that principals comply with existing policies and procedures regarding the selection, discipline, and dismissal of personnel in their schools.  The district leadership must develop policies or procedures to direct principals to be actively involved in the selection, discipline, and dismissal of personnel in their schools.  The principal must become actively involved in the selection, discipline, and dismissal of personnel in	Office of Governmental Affairs  Provide models for policies and procedures.  Office of School Leadership  Provide training for principals through the Leadership Academy.  Office of School Quality  Broker services for writing procedures.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

FOCU	FOCUS AREA: Leadership and Governance			
Number L&G 4	<b>Reference</b> 59-139-10	<b>STANDARD:</b> The school has an early childhood initiative that includes staff training to prepare teachers and administrators in teaching techniques and strategies needed to implement that initiative.*		
		*This standard should be reviewed only for schools serving students in kindergarten through grade three.		

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 4.1	59-139- 10	Indicator  ▶ The district strategic plan includes an early childhood initiative that integrates the planning and direction of the half-day program for four-year-olds, a parenting program, early childhood assistance, school practices in kindergarten through grade three, and any other federal, state, or district programs for pre-school children in the district and these initiatives are being fully implemented.  ▶ (District Driven Indicator)  Findings:  ☑ Not applicable  ☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.	☐ The district must revise the early childhood	Office of Early Childhood Education  ☐ Provide a workshop on recruiting parents of children who qualify for early childhood programs.  ☐ Provide guidance in selecting approved parent education programs offered to parents of children who qualify for early childhood assistance.  ☐ Provide training in appropriate early childhood practices and parenting programs.  ☐ Provide training for the screening and
		<ul> <li>☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.</li> <li>☐ The district strategic plan includes an early childhood initiative; however, this initiative is not being fully implemented.</li> <li>☐ The early childhood initiative does not include a half-day program for four-year-olds.</li> <li>☐ The early childhood initiative does not include a parenting program.</li> <li>☐ The early childhood initiative does not include early childhood assistance</li> </ul>	initiative found in the district strategic plan, ensuring that it integrates the planning and direction of the half-day program for four-year-olds, a parenting program, early childhood assistance, school practices in kindergarten through grade three, and any other federal, state, or district programs for pre-school children in the district.  The district leadership must take action to ensure that the early childhood initiative is being implemented in accordance with the plan.	identification process as well as targeting academic assistance.  Provide guidance for professional staff to use community outreach for recruitment practices.  Provide guidance for staff to use community agencies for collaboration in identifying students.

Number Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
Number	☐ The district strategic plan does not include an early childhood initiative. ☐ Early childhood initiatives are not being implemented.	The district must develop and implement an early childhood initiative that integrates the planning and direction of the half-day program for four-year-olds, a parenting program, early childhood assistance, school practices in kindergarten through grade three, and any other federal, state, or district programs for preschool children in the district.	<ul> <li>□ Visit, monitor, and evaluate the early childhood programs regularly and provide feedback to the district.</li> <li>□ Provide administrators with training in using the early childhood evaluation instrument.</li> <li>□ Provide workshops to review compliance requirements.</li> <li>□ Recommend and coordinate site visits to exemplary early childhood programs with similar demographics.</li> <li>□ Provide a workshop on Title I guidelines for parenting programs and staff training.</li> <li>□ Provide guidance in coordinating funds from state and federal sources.</li> <li>Office of Curriculum and Standards</li> <li>□ Provide information on coordination of federal funds.</li> <li>Office of School Quality</li> <li>□ Provide or broker services to assist in writing district strategic plans.</li> <li>□ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.</li> </ul>

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 4.2	59-139-10	The school leadership will design and implement a developmentally appropriate curriculum model from preschool through grade three, based on a needs assessment and on strategies found to be effective in research.  Findings:  Not applicable  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The pre-school through third grade curriculum is not based on the needs of the students in that the school and/or is not based on strategies found to be effective in research.  The pre-school through third grade curriculum is appropriate and uses sound research-based strategies. However, it is not being implemented as written.  The school does not have a curriculum for grades pre-school through third grade.	<ul> <li>The school leadership must review and revise the curriculum for grades pre-school through grade three to ensure that it is based on a needs assessment and on strategies found to be effective in research.</li> <li>The school leadership must take action to ensure that the approved pre-school through grade three curriculum is being fully implemented in the classroom.</li> <li>The school leadership must design and implement a developmentally appropriate curriculum model for pre-school through grade three, based on a needs assessment and on strategies found to be effective in research.</li> </ul>	Office of Early Childhood Education  □ Provide a workshop on appropriate curriculum models for pre-school through grade three.  □ Visit, monitor, and evaluate the curriculum models for pre-school through grade three.  □ Recommend and coordinate site visits to exemplary early childhood programs with similar demographics.  Office of School Quality  □ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.  Office of Curriculum and Standards  □ Provide professional development for Standards in Practice.  □ Provide professional development in how to review curricula with a focus on data.

FOCU	FOCUS AREA: Leadership and Governance			
Number	Reference	STANDARD: The school has established academic assistance initiatives for all grade levels.		
L&G	59-139-			
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Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 5.1	59-139-	The school has an academic assistance initiative to support students with academic difficulties in all grades (preschool through grade twelve) so that they are able to progress academically with their peers.  Options may include  a. Extended-day and/or weekend programs; b. Extended school year; c. Tutorial programs; d. Floating teachers assigned to work with students who have academic difficulties; and e. Alternatives to the above options.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  The school has an academic assistance initiative intended to support students with academic difficulties; however, it is not being implemented appropriately.  The school does not have an academic assistance initiative for the grade levels it serves.	<ul> <li>□ The school leadership must review and revise and/or modify the existing academic assistance initiative to better support students with academic difficulties so that they are able to progress academically with their peers.</li> <li>□ The school leadership should consider adding the following initiatives to the academic assistance program:</li> <li>□ Extended-day and/or weekend programs</li> <li>□ Extended school year</li> <li>□ Tutorial programs</li> <li>□ Floating teachers are assigned to work with students who have academic difficulties</li> <li>□ The school leadership must provide an appropriate academic assistance initiative designed to enable students having academic difficulties to progress academically with their peers.</li> </ul>	Office of Curriculum and Standards  Provide suggestions and guidance for the implementation of effective academic assistance initiatives.  Office of School Quality  Provide or broker services to help the school establish an academic assistance initiative.  Provide assistance in finding new and innovative programs that might be used for supporting students with academic assistance.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 5.2	59-18- 1910	The school provides a homework center for all students which functions beyond regular school hours.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.	☐ The school must modify homework center	Office of Safe Schools and Youth Services  ☑ Provide information on best practices for homework centers.
		<ul> <li>☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.</li> <li>☐ The school has a homework center, but it is not available for all students or does not function beyond regular school hours.</li> <li>☑ There is no homework center.</li> </ul>	operations to include all students.  The school must ensure that a homework center is opened beyond the regular school day.  The school leadership must establish a homework center which functions beyond the regular school hours to serve all students.	Office of School Quality
L&G 5.3	59-18- 1910	Instruction and assistance in the homework center is tailored to the specific needs of individual students.  Findings:  ☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.  ☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  ☐ Some homework center activities are tailored to individual students, but a system does not exist to ensure that individual student needs are being met consistently.  ☐ Homework center activities are not tailored to individual student needs.  ☑ There is no homework center.	<ul> <li>☐ The school leadership must review current instructional practice in the homework center to ensure that students are receiving instruction that is specifically developed to address their individual needs.</li> <li>☑ Develop and implement a plan to offer a homework center that offers instruction and academic assistance to match the specific needs of individual students.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Office of Safe Schools and Youth Services</li> <li>□ Provide information on best practices for homework centers.</li> <li>Office of School Quality</li> <li>□ Monitor alignment of the after-school program with the school renewal plan.</li> <li>☑ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.</li> </ul>

FOCU	FOCUS AREA: Leadership and Governance				
Number L&G 6		<b>STANDARD:</b> Schools have academic plans for individual students who are lacking the skills to perform at current grade levels. The plans were developed using EAA guidelines for academic plans for students (APSs).*			
		*This standard should be reviewed only for schools serving students in grades three through eight.			

	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 6.1	59-18- 500	<ul> <li>▶ The district has a policy for Academic Plans for Students that is consistent with state APS Guidelines. The policy and procedures are disseminated to all parents (grades 3-8) and is understood by all faculty members.</li> <li>▶ (District Driven Indicator)</li> <li>Findings:</li> <li>☑ Not applicable</li> <li>☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.</li> <li>☐ The district has a policy for Academic Plans for Students. However, it is not consistent with APS Guidelines.</li> <li>☐ The district APS policy was not disseminated to parents of students in grades 3-8.</li> <li>☐ The school faculty cannot articulate the process for Academic Plans for Students in their school.</li> <li>☐ The district policy for Academic Plans for Students is not being followed.</li> <li>☐ The district does not have a policy for Academic</li> </ul>	The district APS policy must be modified to ensure that it complies with APS Guidelines.  ☐ The district/school leadership must provide immediate dissemination of the APS guidelines to qualifying students and their parents/guardians.  ☐ The school leadership must take immediate action to educate all faculty members about the APS program.  ☐ The district leadership must immediately construct and implement APS guidelines.	Office of Curriculum and Standards  Provide assistance for the school/ district in reviewing the State's guidelines for academic plans for students.  Provide a workshop on formulating a strategy for the systemic use of academic plans.  Provide suggestions and guidance for the implementation of effective academic plans.  Provide assistance on developing and implementing a policy and procedures relating to students with limited English proficiency (LEP).  Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

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L&G 6.2	59-18- 500	The school notifies parents/guardians of students needing an APS in an appropriate and timely manner.		Office of Curriculum and Standards  Provide assistance for the school/district in reviewing the State's guidelines for	
		Findings:		student academic plans.	
		Not applicable     ■		Assist the school/districts with the	
		☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.		development and writing of policies and procedures related to academic plans.	
		☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.		☐ Provide suggestions and guidance for the	
		☐ The school notified some, but not all parents/guardians of students needing an APS in an appropriate and timely manner.		implementation of an effective program for academic plans for students.	
		☐ The school does not have a system to ensure that all		Office of School Quality	
		parents/guardians of students needing an APS are notified in an appropriate and timely manner.	The school leadership must develop and implement a system that ensures that all	☐ Monitor the implementation of the	
		No parents of students needing an APS were notified.	parents/guardians of students needing an APS are notified in an appropriate and timely manner.	recommendations of the ERT.	

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 6.3	59-18- 500	The school includes students along with parents and appropriate school personnel in the APS conference ensuring that the APS is tailored to the specific needs of the student.		Office of Curriculum and Standards  Provide information and technical assistance for the school/district to outline the implementation of the academic plan process.
		Findings:		
		Not applicable     Not		Office of School Quality
		☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.		☐ Monitor the implementation of the
		☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.		recommendations of the ERT.
		Parents/guardians of students needing an APS do not consistently participate in APS conferences.		
		Students needing an APS do not consistently participate in APS conferences.		
		Appropriate school faculty do not consistently participate in APS conferences.		
		☐ The APS is not tailored to the specific needs of the student.	The school leadership must develop and implement a system to ensure that parents,	
		The school does not include students along with parents and appropriate school personnel in the APS conference.	students and appropriate faculty fully participate in APS conferences and the APS is tailored to the specific student's needs.	

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L&G 6.4	59-18- 500	Academic plans are monitored quarterly, and there is a method for notifying parents of ongoing progress.  Appropriate action is taken when students are not making expected progress.  Findings:		Office of Curriculum and Standards  Provide information and technical assistance for the school to assist the school in developing an APS monitoring system.
		Not applicable     Not		Office of School Quality
		☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.		☐ Monitor the implementation of the
		☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.		recommendations of the ERT.
		All academic plans are monitored; however, they are not reviewed quarterly.		
		Some but not all academic plans are reviewed quarterly.		
		Academic plans are reviewed quarterly; however, parents are not notified of ongoing progress.	☐ The school leadership must develop and	
		Academic plans are monitored quarterly; however, no action is taken when students are not meeting expected progress.	implement a system that ensures all APSs are reviewed at least quarterly, parents are notified of the results of the review, and appropriate action is taken when students are not meeting	
			of the results of the review, and appropriate	

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L&G 6.5	59-18- 500	Students not meeting grade level standards at the end of their first APS year are notified—at that time—that they will be on academic probation in their second APS year and action is taken to assist the student in meeting their APS goals.		Office of Curriculum and Standards  Provide information and technical assistance for the school to assist the school in developing an APS monitoring system.
		Findings:		
		Not applicable		Office of School Quality
		☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.		☐ Monitor the implementation of the
		☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.		recommendations of the ERT.
		Students not meeting grade level standards at the end of their first APS year are placed on academic probation. However, they are not formally notified of their status.		
		<ul> <li>Some students not meeting grade level standards at the end of their first APS year are not placed on academic probation in their second APS year.</li> <li>Most students not meeting grade level standards at the end of their first APS year are not placed on academic probation in their second APS year.</li> </ul>	The school leadership must immediately develop and implement a system that ensures that <u>all</u> students not meeting grade level standards at the end of their first APS year are notified in writing that they will be on academic probation in their second APS year.	

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L&G 6.6	59-18- 500	Students not meeting grade level standards at the end of their second APS year (or second APS summer school if applicable) are notified—at that time—that they will be retained, and action is taken to assist the student in meeting their APS goals.		Office of Curriculum and Standards  Provide information and technical assistance for the school to assist the school in developing an APS monitoring system.
		Findings:		Office of School Quality
				☐ Monitor the implementation of the
		The above indicator is fulfilled.		recommendations of the ERT.
		☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.		
		Students not meeting grade level standards at the end of their second APS year are retained; however, they are not formally notified in advance of their status.		
		☐ Some students not meeting grade level standards at the end of their second APS year are not retained.	The school leadership must immediately develop and implement a system that ensures that all	
		☐ No action is taken to assist students who are retained in meeting their APS goals.	students not meeting grade level standards at the end of their second year are retained, and action	
		Most students not meeting grade level standards at the end of their second APS year are not retained.	is taken to assist these students in meeting their APS goals.	

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 6.7	59-18- 500	All second year APS students are required to attend summer school or a comprehensive remediation program that meets EAA APS standards.  Findings:  Not applicable  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  Some second year APS students do not attend a comprehensive remediation program or summer school.  All second year APS students attend a summer	☐ The school leadership must immediately modify their summer school or comprehensive	Office of Curriculum and Standards  Provide information and technical assistance for the school to assist the school in developing an APS monitoring system.  Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		school or comprehensive remediation program, however, the program does not meet EAA APS standards.  Most second year APS students do not attend a comprehensive remediation program or summer school.  No summer school or comprehensive remediation program is available to second year APS students.	remediation program to ensure that it meets EAA APS standards.  The school leadership must immediately develop and implement a system that ensures that all second year APS students attend summer school or a comprehensive remediation program that meets EAA APS standards.	

FOCU	J <b>S AREA</b>	: Leadership and Governance
Number L&G 7	ZO 10	<b>STANDARD:</b> The school renewal plan is developed every five years, is coordinated, and is reviewed and revised annually with input from principals, parents/guardians, teachers, the School Improvement Council (SIC), and community members.

Number	Reference	Indicator		Recommendations		Technical Assistance
L&G 7.1	59-18- 1500	Principals, parents/guardians, teachers, the SIC, and community members are involved in the annual review and revision of the school renewal plan.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.	develops relations  The school	<ul> <li>The school leadership must provide professional development with regard to forming collaborative relationships between school and community.</li> <li>The school leadership must establish written goals and strategies to improve community, parental,</li> </ul>	Off	Conduct a weeklong institute (the Cluster School Leadership Academy) in which district-level administrators and representatives from each school within the district work collaboratively to set goals, objectives, strategies, action plans, and timelines for monitoring progress in the following areas: professional development, curriculum, instruction and
		<ul> <li>Some, but not all key stakeholders are actively involved in the annual review and revision of the school renewal plan.</li> <li>There is no documentation to suggest that principals, parents/guardians, teachers, the SIC, and community members were collectively involved in the annual review and revision of the district strategic plan and the school renewal plan.</li> <li>The school does not have an up-to-date school</li> </ul>		and staff involvement in the annual review and revision of the district strategic plan and the school renewal plan.  The school leadership must ensure that all key stakeholders are included in the annual review and revision of the district strategic plan and the school renewal plan.  The school leadership must take immediate steps to develop and implement a school renewal plan.	Off	assessment, supplemental academic programs, and community and parental involvement.  Fice of Technology  Provide suggestions and guidance on aligning the district technology plan with the district strategic plan and the school renewal plan.
		renewal plan.			Off	fice of School Quality
						Assist the school with the development of the school renewal plan.
						Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations		Technical Assistance
L&G 7.2	59-139- 10	Assessments of the effectiveness of strategies in the district strategic plan and the school renewal plan provide data regarding the impact of strategies and indicate whether they should be continued, modified, or terminated. (data-driven decisions)	The school leadership must review the existing assessment plan and revise and/or modify it to include the use of data; the effectiveness of strategies in the district strategic plan and the school renewal plan; provide data regarding the impact of strategies; and indicate whether they should be continued, modified, or terminated.	Off	Provide or broker assistance to establish a procedure for determining the effectiveness of the strategies in the district strategic plan and the school renewal plan.
		Findings:  ☐ The above indicator is fulfilled. ☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled. ☐ Some data is used to make decisions on whether strategies should be continued, modified, or terminated. However, data analysis is not routinely used in the decision making process. ☐ There is no assessment of the effectiveness of strategies in the district strategic plan and/or the school renewal plan. ☐ There are no data for the assessment of strategies in the district strategic plan and/or school renewal plans.	The district staff must develop an assessment plan that has an implementation timeline and that uses data to assess the effectiveness of the strategies in the district strategic plan. The assessment plan should use data to determine the impact of the strategies and indicate whether they should be continued, modified, or terminated.  The school leadership must develop an assessment plan that has an implementation timeline and that uses data to assess the effectiveness of the strategies in the school renewal plan. The assessment plan should use data to determine the impact of the strategies and indicate whether they should be continued, modified, or terminated.	Off	Provide strategic planning workshops that address planning, implementing, and evaluating the success of the plan.  Broker consultant services to assist districts with strategic plan evaluation.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations		Technical Assistance
L&G 7.3	59-18- 1500	<ul> <li>▶ The district delineates the strategies and the support that it will provide to a school to assist in the implementation of the school renewal plan.</li> <li>▶ (District Driven Indicator)</li> <li>Findings:         <ul> <li>The above indicator is fulfilled.</li> <li>The above indicator is partially fulfilled.</li> <li>The district strategic plan does not completely address how the district will support and assist the school as it implements the school renewal plan.</li> <li>The district strategic plan does not define the strategies and support that it will provide to the school to assist in implementing the school renewal plan.</li> <li>The district does not provide support to the school in implementing the school renewal plan.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	The district must review and revise its strategic plan to ensure that it delineates the strategies and the support that it will provide to a school to assist in the implementation of the school renewal plan.  The district must provide support to the school in implementing the school renewal plan	Off	Provide strategic planning workshops that address the implementation of district's school renewal plans.  Broker consultant services to provide planning workshops for writing school renewal plans.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
L&G 7.4	59-20-60	The school renewal plan integrates the needs, goals, objectives, strategies, and evaluation methods found in the district strategic plan.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  The school renewal plan does not integrate all aspects of the needs, goals, objectives, strategies, and evaluation methods found in the district strategic plan.  The school renewal plan is not aligned with the district strategic plan.	The school leadership must review, revise, and/or modify the school renewal plan to integrate all aspects of needs, goals, objectives, strategies, and evaluation methods found in the district strategic plan.	Off	Provide or broker strategic planning workshops that address the integration of needs, goals, objectives, strategies, and evaluation methods found in school renewal plans.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations		Technical Assistance
L&G	59-139-	The school renewal plan is derived from strategies found		Off	ice of School Quality
7.5	10	to be effective by educational research.			Broker or provide workshops on using effective, research-based strategies for
		Findings:			developing the district strategic plan and the school renewal plan.
		The above indicator is fulfilled.			Provide research-based proposals for plans
		☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.			to improve student achievement.
		Some initiatives or actions in the school renewal plan are not derived from strategies found by education research to be effective.	The school leadership must review, revise, and/or		Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		Many of the initiatives or actions in the school renewal plan are not derived from strategies found to be effective by education research	modify the school renewal plan to include strategies found by to be effective by education research.		

FOCU	S AREA	: Leadership and Governance
Number L&G 8		<b>STANDARD:</b> The school fosters the success of all students by providing a positive, safe environment that is student-centered and has high expectations for all students.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 8.1		The school has established programs that promote intellectual, social, and emotional growth for all students.  Findings:  ☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.  ☐ The school has sufficient programs that promote intellectual, social, and emotional growth, but they have limited availability to students.  ☐ The school has a limited number of programs that promote intellectual, social, and emotional growth, which are not sufficient for the student population.  ☐ There is no evidence that the school has programs in place that promote students' intellectual, social, and emotional growth.	<ul> <li>☐ The school must enhance existing programs that promote students' intellectual, social, and emotional growth and ensure that these programs are available to all students.</li> <li>☐ The school must take immediate action to develop and implement programs that promote students' intellectual, social, and emotional growth and make those programs available to all students.</li> </ul>	Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 8.2	59-18- 1500	The school has a stated philosophy (mission statement) that is shared by students, faculty, and the administration.  Findings:  ☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.  ☐ The school has a stated mission statement, but it is not displayed in the school or shared with the students, faculty, and the administration  ☐ There is no evidence that the school has a stated mission statement.	<ul> <li>☐ The school leadership must take steps to disseminate the mission statement so that students, faculty, and the administration have a shared understanding of the school's mission.</li> <li>☐ The school leadership must take immediate action to develop a mission statement that is shared by students, faculty, and the administration and is disseminated throughout the school.</li> </ul>	Office of School Quality  ☐ Provide workshops on the strategic planning process. ☐ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
L&G 8.3	59-5-65	The school has procedures in place that deal with student misconduct in a prompt and effective manner.  Findings:  ☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.  ☐ There are discipline policies in place, but they are limited in effectiveness and/or are not accessible to parents and students.  ☐ There is not a system in place to maintain records of disruptive behavior.  ☐ The school does not have discipline policies in place.	<ul> <li>☐ The school leadership must modify and implement discipline policies that deal with student misconduct in a prompt and effective manner.</li> <li>☐ The school leadership must devise a plan to maintain records of disruptive behavior.</li> <li>☐ The school leadership must take immediate action to develop and implement an effective and accessible discipline plan at the school.</li> </ul>	Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations Technical Assistance
L&G 8.4	59-5-65	The physical condition of the facility is clean, safe, and well-equipped.  Findings:  ☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.  ☒ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  ☒ Overall, the school is clean, safe and well equipped.  However, there are some areas that of the school that need attention.  ☐ The school is not clean, safe and/or well equipped.	The district/school leadership must immediately assess all areas of the school and take action to ensure that they are clean, safe, and wellequipped.  □ The school/district must take immediate action to develop and implement a plan to improve the condition of the school facility, ensuring that it is always clean, safe, and well-equipped.  □ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
L&G 8.5	59-5-65	The school has written safe school checklist(s) that are routinely used to assess safety strengths and weaknesses, and school staff are prepared to react in an emergency situation.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  The school has a written safe schools checklist(s).  However, it is not routinely used to assess safety strengths and weaknesses.  The school has a written safe schools checklist(s).  However, the staff is not prepared to react in an emergency situation.  The school does not have written safe school checklist(s) that is routinely used to assess safety strengths and weaknesses, and school staff are not prepared to react in an emergency situation.	<ul> <li>☐ The school leadership must routinely use the existing safe school checklist(s) to assess safety strengths and weaknesses.</li> <li>☐ The school leadership must immediately provide staff with preparedness training and/or drills to ensure that they are adequately prepared to respond to an emergency situation.</li> <li>☐ The school leadership must take immediate action to develop an emergency action plan and provide an orientation to the plan for students and teachers.</li> <li>☐ The school leadership must immediately develop, disseminate and implement safe schools checklist(s) to assess safety strengths and weaknesses.</li> </ul>

FOCU	FOCUS AREA: Leadership and Governance					
Number L&G 9	I 50 10	<b>STANDARD:</b> Standardized testing is administered in accordance with the requirements of the Education Accountability Act and the school has programs and services in place to assist students who fail the standardized tests.				
	59-30-10					

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 9.1	59-18- 320	*The PACT is administered to <i>all</i> students in grades three through eight.  Findings:  Not applicable  The above indicator is fulfilled.  It appears that all students are being appropriately tested. However, the school does not have an established system to monitor the testing process.  Teachers are not familiar with the PACT-Alt.  Documents indicate that not all students in grades three through eight were given the PACT or the PACT Alternate Assessment (PACT-Alt).	Before the next testing cycle, the school leadership must provide in-service to teachers regarding the PACT-Alt and how to design appropriate accommodations and/or modifications of students served with IEPs.  The school leadership must establish a system to ensure that the PACT or the PACT-Alt will be administered to all students in grades three through eight.	Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		*This indicator should be reviewed only for grades three through eight.		

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
Number L&G 9.2	59-18- 320	*The South Carolina High School Exit Examination is administered to all students beginning in the tenth grade. Students have four opportunities to take and pass the Exit Examination.  Findings:  Not applicable The above indicator is fulfilled.  It appears that all students are being appropriately tested. However, the school does not have an established system to monitor the testing process.  The South Carolina High School Exit Examination is not administered to all students beginning in the tenth grade and retesting up to four times as necessary.  Students that fail the Exit Examination are not retested up to four times.	The school leadership must establish a system that ensures the South Carolina High School Exit Examination is administered to all students beginning in the tenth grade. The system must ensure that students who have not passed the test will be retested.	Office of Assessment  Conduct training for district test coordinators on the administration of the Exit Examination  Provide workshop on how to analyze the data on students who repeat taking the Exit Examination  Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		*This indicator should be reviewed only for schools serving grades ten and higher.		

Number	Reference	Indicator	l	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
	<b>Reference</b> 59-30-10	Indicator  The school has remediation programs to assist those students who score below basic on the PACT.  Findings:  Not applicable  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  The remedial programs in place at the school do not address the needs of students who score below basic on the PACT.  The school does not have remedial programs in place to assist those students who score below basic on the		The school leadership must review and revise their remedial programs to ensure that they address the needs of students who score below basic on the PACT.	Office of Technology  Provide guidance in selecting appropriate software programs to assist students in remediation.  Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		*This indicator should be reviewed only for schools serving grades ten and higher.		The school leadership must immediately develop and implement remedial programs to assist those students who score below basic on the PACT.	

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 9.4	59-30-10	Indicator  The school has remedial programs to assist those students who do not pass the South Carolina High School Exit Examination. (Passing the Exit Examination is a condition for receiving a South Carolina high school diploma.)  Findings:  □ Not applicable □ The above indicator is fulfilled.		Technical Assistance  Office of Technology  □ Provide guidance in selecting appropriate software programs to assist students in remediation.  Office of School Quality  □ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		<ul> <li>☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.</li> <li>☐ The remedial programs in place at the school do not address the needs of students who do not pass the Exit Examination.</li> <li>☐ The school does not have remedial programs in place to assist those students who do not pass the High School Exit Examination.</li> <li>*This indicator should be reviewed only for schools serving grades ten and higher.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The school leadership must review and revise their remedial programs to ensure that they address the needs of students who do not pass this exam.</li> <li>The school leadership must immediately develop and implement remedial programs to assist those students who do not pass the High School Exit Examination.</li> </ul>	

FOCU	FOCUS AREA: Leadership and Governance					
Number L&G 10	Reference 59-18-	*STANDARD: The school offers state-funded PSAT or PLAN testing.*				
	350	*This standard should be reviewed only for schools serving students in grade ten and higher.				

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 10.1	59-18- 350	*High schools give state-funded PSAT or PLAN tests to all tenth-grade students in order to assess and identify curricular areas that need to be strengthened and reinforced.		Office of Assessment  Provide training for a building-level test coordinator.  Office of School Quality
		Findings:  ☐ Not applicable ☐ The above indicator is fulfilled. ☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled. ☐ All tenth-grade students take the state-funded PSAT or PLAN. However, the results are not used to assess and identify curricular areas that need to be strengthened and reinforced. ☐ There is no documentation to confirm that all tenth-grade students were given the PSAT or PLAN tests.  *This indicator should be reviewed only for schools serving grades ten and higher.	<ul> <li>☐ The school leadership must establish a process to use PSAT or PLAN results to assess and inform revisions, additions, and/or modifications to the curricula.</li> <li>☐ The school leadership must develop a system that ensures that every tenth-grade student is given PSAT or PLAN testing.</li> </ul>	Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance	
L&G 10.2	59-18- 350	*The school uses PSAT or PLAN testing to provide guidance and direction to parents and students as they plan for postsecondary experiences.		Office of Curriculum and Standards  Assist guidance counselors in interpreting results of PSAT and PLAN testing.	
		Findings:		Office of School Quality	
		☐ Not applicable		☐ Monitor the implementation of the	
		☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.	The selection density was a discontinuous of a	recommendations of the ERT.	
		☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.	<ul> <li>☐ The school leadership must plan and implement a workshop for students in the tenth grade and above and their parents to discuss how the results of PSAT or PLAN tests may be used to plan for postsecondary experiences.</li> <li>☐ The school leadership must develop a system that ensures that every tenth-grade student is given PSAT or PLAN testing.</li> </ul>		
		All tenth-grade students take the state-funded PSAT or PLAN. However, results are not used to provide guidance and direction to parents and students as they plan for postsecondary experiences.		and their parents to discuss how the results of PSAT or PLAN tests may be used to plan for postsecondary experiences.	
		☐ There is no documentation to confirm that all tenth-grade students were given the PSAT or PLAN tests.			
		*This indicator should be reviewed only for schools serving grades ten and higher.			

FOCU	FOCUS AREA: Leadership and Governance				
Number L&G		<b>STANDARD:</b> The school has a viable and active School Improvement Council that is focused on school and student performance.			
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Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 11.1	59-20-60	The SIC membership includes the principal, other exofficio members, two elected parents, two elected teachers, and two non-parent community members (high school SICs also must have two elected students). The SIC meets at least monthly during the school year.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  The membership of the SIC is incomplete.  The SIC does not meet at least monthly.  The school does not have an active SIC.	<ul> <li>☐ The school leadership must work with the community to fill all vacant SIC positions.</li> <li>☐ The school leadership must work with the community to ensure that the SIC meets at least monthly.</li> <li>☐ The school leadership must work with the community to establish a SIC that has appropriate representation and meets at least monthly to focus on school and student performance.</li> </ul>	Office of School Quality  ☐ Broker the services of the South Carolina School Improvement Council (SCSIC) to provide information and/or workshops on developing a School Improvement Council that is effective.  ☐ Broker the services of SCSIC to provide annual SIC training.  ☐ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 11.2	59-20-60	The SIC is actively involved in the development and/or revision of the school renewal plan and/or the writing of the annual updates of the plan.  Findings:  ☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.  ☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  ☐ The SIC was made aware of the contents of the school renewal plan and had some input but did not participate in writing these documents.  ☐ The SIC was not involved in the development or revision of the school renewal plan and/or writing of the annual updates of the plan.	☐ The school leadership must ensure that the SIC is actively involved in the development or revision of the school renewal plan and/or writing of the annual updates of the plan.	Office of School Quality  ☐ Broker the services of the South Carolina School Improvement Council (SCSIC) to provide information and/or workshops on developing a School Improvement Council that is effective.  ☐ Broker the services of SCSIC to provide annual SIC training.  ☐ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
L&G 11.3	59-20-60	The School Improvement Council meetings always include a review of the progress in meeting the goals and objectives found in the school renewal plan.  Findings:  ☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.  ☒ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  ☒ On occasion, the SIC meetings include a review of the progress made in meeting the goals and objectives found in the school renewal plan.  ☐ The SIC meetings do not include a review of the progress made in meeting the goals and objectives found in the school renewal plan.	∑ The SIC leadership must ensure that each SIC meeting includes a review of the progress in meeting the goals and objectives found in the school renewal plan.	Office of School Quality  ☐ Broker the services of the South Carolina School Improvement Council (SCSIC) to provide information and/or workshops on developing a School Improvement Council that is effective.  ☐ Broker the services of SCSIC to provide annual SIC training.  ☐ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 11.4	59-20-60	The School Improvement Council includes sub- committees (work groups) that are formed to address		Office of School Quality
11.4		specific student focused goals.		Broker the services of the South Carolina School Improvement Council (SCSIC) to
		Findings:		provide information and/or workshops on developing a School Improvement Council that is effective.
		☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.		
		☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.		Broker the services of SCSIC to provide annual SIC training.
		Sub-committees are seldom formed and/or are not focused on student performance.	☐ The SIC leadership must ensure that appropriate sub-committees (work groups) are formed to	Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		□ The SIC does not forms sub-committees to address specific student focused goals.	address specific student focused goals.	2000
L&G	59-20-60	The School Improvement Council decisions are data-		Office of School Quality
11.5		driven. They review and analyze data to provide guidance and to advise the school leadership.		Broker the services of the South Carolina School Improvement Council (SCSIC) to provide information and/or workshops on
		Findings:		developing a School Improvement Council
		☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.		that is effective.
		☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.		Broker the services of SCSIC to provide annual SIC training.
		☐ The SIC uses some data but does not base most decisions on solid data analysis.	□ The SIC leadership must implement processes and procedures for routinely reviewing and analyzing data and making data driven decisions.	Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		☐ The SIC never reviews, analyzes or uses data to make informed decisions.		recommendations of the Ext.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 11.6	59-20-60	An annual school report to parents and constituents of the school is developed by the SIC and provides information on the school's progress in meeting the school and district goals and objectives.  Findings:		Office of School Quality  Broker the services of the South Carolina School Improvement Council (SCSIC) to provide information and/or workshops on developing a School Improvement Council that is effective.
		<ul> <li>☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.</li> <li>☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.</li> <li>☐ The SIC provided some input into the annual school report to the parents and constituents but was not the primary author.</li> <li>☐ The SIC was not involved in the annual school report to the parents and constituents</li> </ul>	☐ The SIC and school leadership must ensure that the SIC develops the annual school report to parents and constituents.	<ul> <li>□ Broker the services of SCSIC to provide annual SIC training.</li> <li>□ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.</li> </ul>

FOCU	FOCUS AREA: Leadership and Governance				
Number	Reference	<b>STANDARD:</b> The school has programs and procedures established that heighten awareness of the importance of parent/family involvement in			
L&G	59-28-	the education of their children.			
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Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 12.1	59-28- 130	The school renewal plan includes parental involvement goals and objectives and an evaluation component for this program.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The school renewal plan does not contain all the components of parental involvement to include goals and objectives and evaluation.  The school renewal plan includes parental involvement goals and objectives and an evaluation component; however, they are not being properly implemented.  The school renewal plan does not include parental involvement goals and objectives and an evaluation component for this program.	<ul> <li>□ The school renewal plan must be revised to include parental involvement goals, objectives, and an evaluation component.</li> <li>□ The school leadership must take immediate steps to implement the goals, objectives, and evaluation component of the parental involvement program in the school renewal plan.</li> <li>□ The school leadership must develop and implement a parental involvement program as part of the school renewal plan.</li> </ul>	Office of School Quality  Provide or broker guidance in the development of a parent involvement component for the district strategic plan and the school renewal plans.  Provide or broker assistance to write the school renewal plans.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.  Office of Parental and Community Partnerships  Provide workshops on increasing community and parental involvement in school activities.  Provide workshops on increasing school and business partnerships.  Broker the services of, or partner with other agencies (SCSIC, PTA, etc) to address parental involvement.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance	
L&G 12.2	59-28- 170	<ul> <li>Indicator</li> <li>▶ The district superintendent takes appropriate action to assist in improving parental involvement by</li> <li>including parental involvement expectations as part of each principal's evaluation,</li> <li>including information about parental involvement opportunities and participation in the district's annual report, and</li> <li>disseminating to all parents in the district the expectations enumerated in S.C. Code Ann. § 59-28-180 (parent expectations).</li> <li>The district superintendent considers</li> <li>designating staff to serve as parent liaisons,</li> <li>requiring each school to designate a faculty contact for parental involvement,</li> <li>requiring each school principal to designate space within the school specifically for parents, and</li> <li>encouraging principals to adjust class and school schedules to accommodate parent-teacher conferences.</li> <li>▶ (District Driven Indicator)</li> <li>Findings:</li> <li>The above indicator is fulfilled.</li> <li>□ Parental involvement expectations are not in the principal's evaluation.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ The district superintendent must ensure parental involvement expectations are part of each principal's evaluation.</li> <li>□ The district superintendent must ensure that information about parental involvement opportunities and participation is included in the district's annual report.</li> <li>□ The district superintendent must ensure that expectations enumerated in S.C. Code Ann. § 59-28-180 (parent expectations) are disseminated to all parents.</li> </ul>	Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.	
		<ul> <li>The superintendent did not include parental involvement opportunities and participation in the annual report.</li> <li>The district did not disseminate to all parents in the</li> </ul>	The district superintendent must immediately develop and implement a written plan to address improving parental involvement by  • including parental involvement expectations as part of each principal's evaluation,	develop and implement a written plan to address improving parental involvement by  • including parental involvement expectations as part of each principal's evaluation,	
		district the expectations enumerated in S.C. Code Ann. § 59-28-180 (parent expectations).  The superintendent has considered additional ways to improve parental involvement.  The superintendent has not taken appropriate action to improve parental involvement.	<ul> <li>Including information about parental involvement opportunities and participation in the district's annual report, and</li> <li>disseminating to all parents in the district the expectations enumerated in S.C. Code Ann. § 59-28-180 (parent expectations).</li> </ul>		

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations		Technical Assistance
L&G 12.3	59-28- 160	<ul> <li>The local board of trustees takes appropriate actions to assist in improving parental involvement. Each board of trustees</li> <li>considers joining national organizations that promote and provide technical assistance on various proven parental involvement frameworks;</li> <li>incorporates into existing policies and efforts, where possible, proven parental involvement practices;</li> <li>adopts policies that emphasize the importance of parental involvement and strives to increase and clearly define expectations for effective parental involvement practices;</li> <li>provides for all faculty, parental involvement orientation and training through staff development with emphasis on unique school and district needs;</li> <li>provides incentives and formal recognition for schools that significantly increase parental involvement;</li> <li>requires an annual briefing on district and school parental involvement programs including findings from state and local evaluations; and</li> <li>includes parental involvement expectations as part of the superintendent's evaluation.</li> <li>(Local School Board Driven Indicator)</li> </ul>	Recommendations	Of	fice of School Quality  Broker the services of the South Carolina School Boards Association to provide orientation for new board members, the notebook "Getting on Board," which contains information for school board members in South Carolina, and the National School Boards Association manual Becoming a Better Board Member.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  The local board of trustees has not adopted policies that include expectations for proven parental involvement practices.  The local board of trustees does not belong to any national organization that promotes and provides technical assistance with parental involvement frameworks.  The local board of trustees has not provided for staff development in the area of increased parental	The local board of trustees must adopt policies that include expectations for proven parental involvement practices.  The local board of trustees should strongly consider joining national organizations that promote and provide technical assistance with parental involvement frameworks.  The local board of trustees must develop a program to provide incentives to recognize schools that significantly increase parental involvement.		

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations Technical Assistance	
		involvement.		
		The local board of trustees has not provided incentives to recognize schools that significantly increase parental involvement.	The local board of trustees should immediately include parental involvement expectations as part of the superintendent's evaluation.	
		The local board of trustees has not included parental involvement expectations as part of the superintendent's evaluation.	The local board of trustees must develop and implement a written plan to address all aspects of improving parental involvement.	
		There is no documentation that the local board of trustees takes appropriate action to assist in improving parental involvement.		

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 12.4	59-20-60	<ul> <li>▶ The district, in coordination with the local school board, publishes and distributes a programmatic report to the parents and constituents of the district that includes goals and objectives of the school district, the strategies to meet the goals and objectives, and an evaluation of the outcomes.</li> <li>▶ (District Driven Indicator)</li> <li>Findings:         <ul> <li>The above indicator is fulfilled.</li> <li>The district published a report to the parents and constituents. However, it does not contain the goals and objectives of the school district, the strategies to meet the goals and objectives, and an evaluation of the outcomes.</li> <li>The district has not published a report to the parents and constituents of the district that contains goals and objectives of the school district, strategies to meet the goals and objectives, and an evaluation of the outcomes.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ The district must revise and redistribute the report to the parents and constituents of the district ensuring that it contains goals and objectives of the school district, strategies to meet the goals and objectives, and an evaluation of the outcomes.</li> <li>□ The district must immediately publish a report to the parents and constituents of the district that contains goals and objectives of the school district, strategies to meet the goals and objectives, and an evaluation of the outcomes.</li> </ul>	Office of School Quality  ☐ Broker the services of the South Carolina School Boards Association to provide  • orientation for new board members,  • the notebook "Getting on Board," which contains information for school board members in South Carolina, and  • the National School Boards Association manual Becoming a Better Board Member.  ☐ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number Refe	erence	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 59 12.5 1 Nat P' Star for I Fa	P-28- 180 tional PTA andards Parent/ amily lvement	Communication - Communication between the school and the students' homes is regular, two-way and meaningful.  Model schools communicate effectively with student homes by establishing an active, two-way communication system that makes parents feel that they are partners in the education process. These schools keep families informed of relevant programs and share students successes.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  Communication is one-way, from the school to families. There is not an active feedback process for families.  The school has an established communication system. However, communication between the school and families is not sufficient.  The school does not have an established communications system that is regular, two-way and	The school leadership must take action to establish two-way communication with families.  The school leadership must take action to increase the frequency and content of communication with families.  The school leadership must immediately develop and implement a communications system to families that is regular, two-way and meaningful.	Office of Parental and Community Partnerships  Provide information and/or conduct workshops on how to implement an effective parent/family communications system.  Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 12.6	59-28- 180	Parenting - The school promotes and supports parenting skills.		Office of Parental and Community Partnerships
	National PTA Standards for Parent/ Family Involvement	Model schools respect and affirm the strengths and skills needed by parents to fulfill their roles as partners in their child's education. These schools assist families with parenting skills, understanding child and adolescent development, and setting home conditions that support the education process.		<ul> <li>□ Provide information and/or conduct workshops on how to implement an effective parenting program.</li> <li>Office of School Quality</li> <li>□ Monitor the implementation of the</li> </ul>
		Findings:	<ul> <li>The school leadership must review and modify existing parenting programs to ensure that they provide adequate services to promote and support parenting skills.</li> <li>The school leadership must develop and implement parenting programs that provide adequate services to promote and support parenting skills.</li> </ul>	recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 12.7	59-28- 180	Student Learning - The school encourages parents to play an integral role in assisting student learning.		Office of Parental and Community Partnerships
	National PTA Standards for Parent/ Family Involvement	Model schools support parents in the learning process by helping parents participate in their student's learning. Parents are involved in curriculum related decisions and feel that they are partners in their students learning.	☐ The school must review and revise existing	☐ Provide information and/or conduct workshops on how to implement an effective parent/family partnership in the student learning process.  Office of School Quality
		Findings:	procedures and establish a school culture that	☐ Monitor the implementation of the
	☐ The a	☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.	encourages parents to play an integral role in assisting student learning.	recommendations of the ERT.
		☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.	_	
		☐ The school does not regularly include parents in the student learning process.	The school must develop and implement procedures that encourage parents to play an	
		☐ The school does not include parents in the student learning process.	integral role in assisting student learning. The school leadership must ensure that the school culture is family friendly.	
L&G 12.8	59-28- 180	Volunteering – The school welcomes parents and encourages their support and assistance.	The school leadership must develop and implement a volunteer program that encourages parent/family support and assistance.	Office of Parental and Community Partnerships  Provide information and/or conduct
	National PTA Standards for Parent/ Family	Model schools make parents feel valued and welcome in the school at any time. These schools organize volunteers to support the school and students while providing a wide variety of volunteer opportunities. Any time spent by	The school leadership must review and revise existing volunteer opportunities to provide for maximum volunteerism.	workshops on how to implement an effective parent/family volunteer program.
	Involvement	volunteers in support of student learning is honored by the school.	☐ The school leadership must immediately take	Office of School Quality
		Findings:  ☑ The above indicator is fulfilled.  ☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.	action to ensure that the school welcomes parents and encourages their support and assistance. The school leadership must also develop and implement a volunteer program that provides maximum opportunities for families to volunteer.	☐ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		☐ The school is welcoming to parents but does not		

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
		have an organized volunteer program.		
		☐ The school does not have a variety of volunteer opportunities that provides for maximum volunteerism.		
		☐ The school is not welcoming to parents and does not have an established volunteer program.		
L&G 12.9	59-28- 180	School Decision Making and Advocacy – Parents are full partners in the decisions that affect children and families.		Office of Parental and Community Partnerships
	National PTA Standards for Parent/ Family	Model schools empower parents, foster their trust, promote public confidence and encourage mutual support. Parents are involved in shared decision making concerning their student's education.		Provide information and/or conduct workshops on how to improve parent/family involvement in school decision making and advocacy.
	Involvement	Findings:  ☑ The above indicator is fulfilled.		Broker the services of, or partner with other agencies (SCSIC, PTA,etc) to address parent involvement.
		☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.		
		<ul> <li>☐ The school does not regularly include parents in the decision making process or decisions that affect children and families.</li> <li>☐ Parents are not partners in the decisions that affect children and families.</li> </ul>	☐ The school leadership must develop and implement policies and procedures to ensure that parents are full partners in the decisions that affect children and families.	Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 12.10	59-28- 180  National PTA Standards for Parent/ Family Involvement	Collaborating with Community – The school builds relationships with community organizations and businesses which results in community resources being used to strengthen schools, families, and students.  Model schools build community and business partnerships that are mutually beneficial and structured to connect individuals, not just institutions. These connections enable the power of the school and community to be unleashed.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The school has built some relationships with community organizations or businesses. However, these relationships have not resulted in community resources being used to strengthen schools, families, and students.  The school has not built relationships with community organizations and businesses.	<ul> <li>☐ The school leadership must review existing relationships with community organizations or businesses to determine how they can be improved, focusing on how community resources can be used to strengthen schools, families, and students.</li> <li>☐ The school leadership must immediately develop and implement a community relation plan that establishes relationships with community organizations and businesses and results in community resources being used to strengthen schools, families, and students.</li> </ul>	Office of Parental and Community Partnerships  Provide information and/or conduct workshops on how to implement an effective community involvement program.  Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number Reference L&G Catalyst STANDARD: The library media center program contributes to improving school and student performance.	FOCU	FOCUS AREA: Leadership and Governance							
13 Caracter	Number L&G	Reference Catalyst	STANDARD: The library media center program contributes to improving school and student performance.						

Number	Reference	Indicator		Recommendations		Technical Assistance
L&G 13.1	Catalyst ADEPT	The school has a library media center advisory committee that works with the library media center specialist to				fice of Technology (Library Media
	Performance Dimensions for Library Media Specialists	develop short-range plans for library media center program development and to implement the South Carolina K–12 information literacy and technology integration guide into the total school instructional				Provide information on the roles and responsibilities of the library media center advisory committee.
		program to enhance student learning.				Provide guidelines on how to establish and maintain an active viable library media center advisory committee.
		Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.	<ul> <li>☐ The school leadership and media specialist must take immediate steps to ensure that the media center advisory committee is involved in media center program development.</li> <li>☑ The school leadership and media specialist must</li> </ul>		$\boxtimes$	Provide guidelines and staff development
		☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.		take immediate steps to ensure that the media center advisory committee is involved in media		for implementation of the South Carolina K-12 information literacy and technology
		☐ The school has a library media center advisory committee. However, it does not participate in				integration guide.
		The school has a library media center advisory committee. However, it does not participate in the implementation of the South Carolina K–12 information literacy and technology integration		Off	fice of School Quality	
			take immediate steps to implement the South Carolina K–12 information literacy and technology integration guide and to ensure that the media center advisory committee is involved in implementation.		Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.	
		The school does not have a media center advisory committee and is not implementing the South Carolina K-12 information literacy and technology integration guide.		The school leadership and media specialist must take immediate steps to establish a media center advisory committee.		

Number	Reference	Indicator		Recommendations		Technical Assistance
L&G 13.2	Catalyst ADEPT Performance Dimensions for Library Media Specialists	<ul> <li>Indicator</li> <li>➤ The district has a library media advisory committee that works with the district library media supervisor and other district personnel to develop short range plans for the district library media programs including implementation of the South Carolina K-12 information literacy and technology integration guide into the total school instructional program to enhance student learning.</li> <li>➤ (District Driven Indicator)</li> <li>Findings:         <ul> <li>The above indicator is fulfilled.</li> <li>The district has a library media center advisory committee. However, it does not participate in district media center program development.</li> <li>The district has a library media center advisory committee. However, it does not participate in the</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		The district leadership and district media supervisor must take immediate steps to ensure that the media center advisory committee is involved in media center program development.  The district leadership and district media supervisor must take immediate steps to implement the South Carolina K–12 information literacy and technology integration guide and to ensure that the media center advisory committee is	Sei □ □ □ Offi	fice of Technology (Library Media rvices)  Provide information on the roles and responsibilities of the district library media center advisory committee.  Provide guidelines on how to establish and maintain an active viable district library media center advisory committee.  Provide guidelines and staff development for implementation of the South Carolina K-12 information literacy and technology integration guide.  fice of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		implementation of the South Carolina K−12 information literacy and technology integration guide.  ☐ The district does not have a media advisory committee and is not implementing the South	involved in the implementation.  The district leadership and district media supervisor must take immediate steps to establish a media center advisory committee and to implement the South Carolina K-12 information literacy and technology integration guide.			

Number Reference Indicator Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 13.3  Catalyst ADEPT Performance Dimensions for Library Media Specialists  Collaborative planning exists between the library media specialist and classroom teachers. The library media specialist works in partnership with at least 25% of the classroom teachers to link information literacy, technology education, and content.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  The library media specialist works in partnership with at least 10% of the classroom teachers to link information literacy, technology education, and content.  No collaborative planning exists between the library  The school leadership must take immediate steps to ensure that collaborative partnerships exists between the library media specialist and at least 25% of the classry media specialist and at least 25% of the classry media specialist and at least 25% of the classry media specialist and at least 25% of the classry media specialist and at least 25% of the classry media specialist and at least 25% of the classry media specialist and at least	Office of Technology (Library Media Services)  Provide information on the roles and responsibilities of the media specialist and classroom teachers in establishing collaborative partnerships.  Provide professional development on establishing and maintaining productive collaborative partnerships  Provide professional development on curriculum design to develop lesson plans linking information literacy, technology education, and content.  Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 13.4	Catalyst ADEPT Performance Dimensions for Library Media Specialists	The library media center professional staff is involved in key decision making committees (e.g., curriculum, technology, and strategic planning) in the school.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  The library media center professional staff provides input into the key decision making committees (e.g., curriculum, technology, and strategic planning).  The library media center professional staff is not regularly involved in key decision making committees (e.g., curriculum, technology, or strategic planning).  The library media center professional staff is not involved in the key decision making committees (e.g., curriculum, technology, or strategic planning).	<ul> <li>□ The school leadership must take immediate steps to expand the involvement of the library media center professional staff to all the key decision-making committees in the school.</li> <li>□ The school leadership must take immediate steps to include the library media center professional staff in the key decision-making committees (e.g., curriculum, technology, and strategic) in the school.</li> </ul>	Office of Technology (Library Media Services)  Provide information and guidelines on the roles and responsibilities of the library media center professional staff for participation in the key decision making committees of the school.  Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
L&G 13.5	Catalyst ADEPT Performance Dimensions for Library Media Specialists	The media center professional staff provides formal feedback to the school leadership on student performance.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  The media center professional staff informally provides information to the school leadership concerning student performance.  The media center professional staff does not provide feedback to the school leadership on student performance.	The media center professional staff must take immediate steps to develop a formal system to provide the school leadership with results from the student evaluation rubrics developed by the teachers and the library media professional staff as part of the collaborative planning.	Office of Technology (Library Media Services)  Provide guidelines and training on developing student evaluation rubrics and collecting the data to demonstrate student learning.  Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations		Technical Assistance
L&G 13.6	Reference  Catalyst ADEPT Performance Dimensions for Library Media Specialists	Fully flexible access to the library media center is provided including access to the media center beyond the normal school day.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  The library media center is flexibly scheduled at least 50% of the time but is not available	The school leadership must take immediate steps to implement a flexible schedule in the library media center to provide student and teacher access		fice of Technology (Library Media rvices)  Provide guidelines for implementing a flexible schedule in the library media center.  Provide staff development for the administration, teachers, and library media center professional staff on the appropriate use of the library media center through flexible scheduling.
		beyond the normal school day.  The library media center is available for student use beyond the normal school day but is not flexibly scheduled.  Fully flexible access to the library media center is not provided including access to the media center beyond the normal school day.	to information and other materials and resources at the point of instructional need during the school	Off	fice of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 13.7	Catalyst ADEPT Performance	The library media center resource collection is current and of sufficient quantity and quality to meet the information		Office of Technology (Library Media Services)
	Dimensions for Library Media	and recreational reading needs of the school community.		Provide guidelines on conducting a needs assessment with students and faculty.
	Specialists	Findings:		☐ Provide assistance to the library media
		☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.		center professional staff in creating a collection development policy, including
		☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.		weeding the collection to eliminate
	not meet the recomm	☐ The library media center resource collection does		outdated and obsolete materials.
		not meet the recommended minimum of 10 books per student and does not fully support the school's curriculum.		Provide assistance to the library media center professional staff in implementing a collection development policy, including
		☐ The library media center resource collection meets the recommended minimum of 10 books per		weeding the collection to eliminate outdated and obsolete materials.
		student; however, the collection is outdated and does not match the school's curriculum.	<ul> <li>The school leadership must review and revise its existing funding procedures to ensure appropriate allocation to the library media center for collection development.</li> <li>The school leadership and the library media center professional staff must take immediate steps to</li> </ul>	Provide assistance to the library media center professional staff in developing a
		☐ The library media center resource collection is current and meets the recommended minimum of 10		budget to support collection development.
				Office of School Quality
		The library media center resource collection is not current and does not have sufficient quantity and quality to meet the information and recreational reading needs of the school community.	establish and implement a collection development plan to address updating the resource collection, increasing the size of the collection, and matching the collection to the school's curriculum.	Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 13.8	Catalyst ADEPT Performance Dimensions for Library Media Specialists	The library media program supports the school's reading plan by encouraging reading throughout the school, offering a variety of reading materials, and participating in various state reading programs.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The library media program encourages students' participation in various state reading programs (e.g. SC Children's Book Award Program, SC Junior Book Award Program, or the SC Young Adult Book Award Program) but the library media center is not part of the school reading program.  The library media program offers a variety of reading materials but there is no participation in any formal state reading program.  The library media program does not support the school's reading plan by encouraging reading throughout the school, offering a variety of reading materials, and participating in various state reading programs	<ul> <li>□ The library media center professional staff must take immediate steps to identify state reading programs and develop a plan for participation.</li> <li>□ The school leadership must take immediate steps to include the library media program as part of the school-wide reading plan beyond managing the school's computerized reading management program and provide resources to implement this program.</li> <li>□ The library media center professional staff must take immediate steps to support the school's reading plan by encouraging reading throughout the school, offering a variety of reading materials, and participating in various state reading programs.</li> </ul>	Office of Technology (Library Media Services)  Provide information on state reading programs.  Provide guidelines and assistance in developing a reading promotional campaign through the library media center.  Provide guidelines and assistance in developing a reading promotional campaign beyond the use of a computerized reading management program.  Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

FOCU	FOCUS AREA: Leadership and Governance					
Number		<b>STANDARD:</b> The district and school have implemented rigorous academic changes in the career and technology education program.				
L&G	59-52-50					
14		*Indicators under this standard do not apply to all schools that are reviewed. The following key was used to determine whether the indicator should be reviewed for this school.				
		HS = High Schools, CC = Career Centers, MS = Middle Schools, MS/CATE = Middle Schools that have Career and Technology Education (CATE) programs				

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 14.1	59-52-40  SC School-To- Work Transition	* Review for HS and CC  ▶ The district and school have implemented a rigorous, relevant academic curriculum that eliminates the "general" track for students.  ▶ (District Driven Indicator)		Office of Career and Technology Education  Provide staff development on teaching the high-level curriculum standards which students are expected to master in the applied math, applied communications, and applied science courses.
	Act Guidelines	Findings:  Not applicable The above indicator is fulfilled. The above indicator is partially fulfilled. Some general level courses in math, English, and science have been replaced with applied academic courses, but some courses still need to be phased out. General-level courses in math, English, and science have not been phased out.	The district and school must continue to take action to replace general level courses in math, English, and science with challenging applied academic courses.  The district and school must develop and implement a plan to replace general level courses in math, English, and science with challenging applied academic courses.	<ul> <li>Office of Technology</li> <li>□ Provide guidance in identifying resources to support and enhance technology education programs.</li> <li>Office of School Quality</li> <li>□ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.</li> </ul>

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 14.2	SC School-To- Work Transition Act Guidelines	* Review for HS, MS, and CC  The district and school have developed plans to accelerate the learning of students who are behind their age peers.  Findings:  Not applicable  The above indicator is fulfilled.  There is an appropriate plan to accelerate the learning of students who are behind their age peers. However, it is not being fully implemented.  There is no plan to accelerate the learning of students who are behind their age peers. However, it is not being fully implemented.	<ul> <li>□ The school leadership must take immediate steps to ensure that the action plans concerning students who are behind their age peers are fully implemented.</li> <li>□ The school leadership must develop and implement strategies and action plans (reinforced in Act 135) to address the needs of students who are behind their age peers and incorporate these strategies into the school renewal plan.</li> </ul>	Office of Career and Technology Education  Provide guidance to the district and school in developing and implementing a plan to accelerate the learning of students who are behind their age peers.  Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
L&G 14.3	SC School-To- Work Transition Act Guidelines	* Review for HS, MS/CATE, and CC  Every student can demonstrate proficiency in keyboarding and computer literacy before graduation.  Findings:  Not applicable The above indicator is fulfilled. The above indicator is partially fulfilled. The school has a keyboarding and computer literacy program, but it does not serve all students or it does not have the rigor needed to ensure all eighthgraders are proficient in keyboarding and computer literacy.	<ul> <li>□ The school leadership must take immediate steps to make certain that their keyboarding and computer literacy programs serve all students and have the rigor needed to ensure that all eighthgraders are proficient in keyboarding and computer literacy</li> <li>□ The school leadership must use state core competencies to ensure that students receive competency-based instruction in: using the touch method on a computer keyboard; loading and using appropriate application software to solve various problems; and entering information, saving</li> </ul>	Office of Career and Technology Education  □ Provide guidance in developing or selecting proficiency test(s) to determine student mastery of skills.  □ Provide guidance in developing district/school guidelines to determine student mastery of keyboarding skills and computer literacy skills before graduation.  Office of School Quality  □ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
		<ul> <li>Every student cannot demonstrate proficiency in keyboarding and computer literacy before graduation.</li> <li>The school does not have a system in place to determine keyboarding proficiency and computer literacy of all students.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>information to appropriate media, retrieving and editing previously stored information, and producing hard copy.</li> <li>The school leadership must develop a system that determines keyboarding proficiency and computer literacy of all students.</li> </ul>	
L&G 14.4	SC School-To- Work Transition Act Guidelines	* Review for HS, MS/CATE, and CC  The school provides consistent and continuous structured opportunities for academic and career and technology education (CATE) teachers to work together to plan integrated instruction for students.		Office of Career and Technology Education  Provide staff development activities in the district and school for the instructional staff on integrating academic and CATE instruction.
		Findings:		Office of School Quality
		☐ Not applicable		Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.		recommendations of the Extr.
		☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.		
		<ul> <li>Some opportunities for academic and CATE teachers to work together to plan integrated instruction for students are provided. However, they are not consistent, continuous or structured.</li> <li>Consistent and continuous structured opportunities for academic and CATE teachers to work together to plan integrated instruction for students are not provided.</li> </ul>	☐ The district and school(s) must provide support for integrated instruction by structuring consistent and continuous opportunities for academic and CATE teachers to work together.	

L&G 14.5	SC School-To- Work Transition Act Guidelines	* Review for HS, MS, and CC  The district and school have developed and implemented a plan to deliver the "Learning to Work" standards and competencies of their Comprehensive Development Guidance and Counseling program that includes:  • a comprehensive career guidance plan (career planner), which has a major plan and an alternate plan for each student, starting in grade 6 and continuing through grade 12;  • parental assistance in the development of the career plan;  • the opportunity for review and revision of the career plan by the student and his/her parents annually up to the senior year of high school;  • the flexibility to move between the Tech Prep and College Prep career paths up to the senior year of high school;  • a postsecondary option;  • sequential curriculum activities that relate directly to life career planning, decision making, career awareness, career exploration, and career preparation;  • active participation of school personnel, parents, community, and business/industry in the career development of students;  • activities which emphasize and promote participation of all students in career development activities; and  • career assessment programming and interpretation to facilitate student career decision making and choice.  Findings:  Not applicable  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The school has a system of career guidance and counseling which meets some of the criteria above. The system does not meet all of the criteria required.  The school has not developed and implemented a comprehensive system of career guidance and counseling.  Career development activities are not provided for all students.	· · · ·	The school must improve its current system of career guidance and counseling to ensure that it includes of the criteria required (listed below).  The school must develop and implement a career guidance and counseling program around the "Learning to Work" standards and competencies of the Comprehensive Development Guidance and Counseling Program Model that includes:  a comprehensive career guidance plan (career planner), which has a major plan and an alternate plan for each student starting in grade 6 and continuing through grade 12; parental assistance in the development of the career plan; the opportunity for review and revision of the career plan by the student and his/her parents annually up to the senior year of high school; the flexibility to move between the Tech Prep and College Prep career paths up to the senior year of high school; a postsecondary option; sequential curriculum activities that relate directly to life career planning, decision making, career awareness, career exploration, and career preparation; active participation of school personnel, parents, community, and business/industry in the career development of students; activities which emphasize and promote participation of all students in career development activities; and career assessment programming and interpretation to facilitate student career decision-making and choices.  The school must provide career development activities for all students.	•	Provide professional development activities for school counselors on: integrating and implementing career guidance and planning, into the comprehensive school counseling program; developing and implementing a comprehensive system of career awareness, exploration, preparation, and counseling; and maintaining a career planner for each student.  Provide guidance to the district on developing a district plan to implement the SC Comprehensive Developmental Guidance & Counseling Program Model.  Fice of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
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L&G 14.6	59-52-40	* Review for HS, MS, and CC	Office of Career and Technology Education
	SC School-To- Work Transition	Structured, work-based learning opportunities, resulting from the four basic program components below, are made available for all students.	Provide guidance in implementing the four program components for structured workbased learning.
	Act Guidelines	<ul><li>Work-based learning</li><li>School-based learning</li></ul>	Office of School Quality
	Salacinos	<ul> <li>Connecting activities</li> <li>Credentials</li> </ul>	☐ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		These learning opportunities include:  a range of mentoring opportunities beginning no later than the seventh grade;  adult supervision for mentoring opportunities;  some or all of the following work-site opportunities: shadowing, service learning, school-based enterprises, internships, co-ops, youth apprenticeships, and registered apprenticeships;  a combination of work-based instruction, school-based instruction, and connecting activities that combine work-based and school-based learning;  a formal work-site training plan that includes school based and work-based learning;  responsibilities and expectations for work-site mentors;  formal agreements outlining respective roles and responsibilities of school representative, student, employer representative, parent, etc., to be signed by each person;  demonstrations, quality role models, and supervisory coaching;  a liaison to collaborate with the employer, school, and parents;  adequate insurance coverage for all students prior to participating; and  specific documentation on each student's participation in a work-based experience to include, at a minimum, the following: a training agreement, permission form, proof of insurance form, etc.	□ The school must implement a structured work-based learning opportunity program resulting from the four basic program components below, for all students.  • Work-based learning • School-based learning • Connecting activities • Credentials  This program must include:  • a range of mentoring opportunities beginning no later than the seventh grade; • adult supervision for mentoring opportunities; • some or all of the following work-site opportunities: shadowing, service learning, school-based enterprises, internships, co-ops, youth apprenticeships, and registered apprenticeships; • a combination of work-based instruction, school-based instruction, and connecting activities that combine work-based and school-based learning; • a formal work-site training plan that includes school

	Findings:  Not applicable The above indicator is fulfilled. The above indicator is partially fulfilled. Structured work-based learning opportunities resulting from the four basic program components are available for all students. However, the program does not fully comply with the guidelines above.  Structured work-based learning opportunities resulting from the four basic program components are only available to some students.  The school does not offer any work-based learning opportunities.	<ul> <li>based and work-based learning;</li> <li>responsibilities and expectations for work-site mentors;</li> <li>formal agreements outlining respective roles and responsibilities of school representative, student, employer representative, parent, etc., to be signed by each person;</li> <li>demonstrations, quality role models, and supervisory coaching;</li> <li>a liaison to collaborate with the employer, school, and parents;</li> <li>adequate insurance coverage for all students prior to participating; and</li> <li>specific documentation on each student's participation in a work-based experience to include, at a minimum, the following: a training agreement, permission form, proof of insurance form, etc.</li> </ul>	
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L&G	59-52-40	* Review for HS, MS/CATE, and CC		The school must take immediate steps to ensure that CATE programs which expand content	Of	fice of Career and Technology Education
14.7	SC School-To- Work Transition Act Guidelines	The school has implemented changes in the CATE programs, which are essential to expand content, relevancy, and rigor in preparation for lifelong learning and living in a technological society:  CATE programs have been restructured into career majors-career clusters.  High expectations have been established for all CATE students.  Provisions have been made to ensure that all students are actively engaged in the learning process.  Instruction in communications, mathematics, and science has been incorporated into all career majors.  Comprehensive needs assessments have been conducted every five years to ensure relevancy of programs, and CATE programs have been implemented, revised, or deleted based on the needs assessment results.  CATE programs are competency-based.  Tenets of the 2020 Vision for Career and Technology Education in SC, a stakeholder-originated strategic plan that serves as a roadmap for school-to-work implementation in our state, have been adopted.  Findings:  Not applicable  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The school has developed but not fully implemented CATE programs, which expand content, relevancy, and rigor in preparation for lifelong learning and living in a technological society.  The school has not developed CATE programs which expand content, relevancy, and rigor in preparation for lifelong learning and living in a technological society.	•	that CATE programs which expand content, relevancy, and rigor in preparation for lifelong learning and living in a technological society are fully implemented.  The school must develop CATE programs which expand content, relevancy, and rigor in preparation for lifelong learning and living in a technological society, including the following elements:  CATE programs have been restructured into career majors-career clusters.  High expectations have been established for all CATE students.  Provisions have been made to ensure that all students are actively engaged in the learning process. Instruction in communications, mathematics, and science has been incorporated into all career majors.  Technology has been incorporated into all career majors. Comprehensive needs assessments have been conducted every five years to ensure relevancy of programs, and CATE programs have been implemented, revised, or deleted based on the needs assessment results.  CATE programs are competency-based.  Tenets of the 2020 Vision for Career and Technology Education in SC, a stakeholder-originated strategic plan that serves as a roadmap for school-to-work implementation in our state, have been adopted.		learning integral to applied academic and CATE instruction.  Provide staff development in incorporating math, communications, and science standards in CATE programs.

L&G 59-52-7	* Review for HS, MS, and CC		Office of Career and Technology Education
14.8 SC School-To Work Transitio Act Guideline	education data extractions can be conducted. The system ensures:	<ul> <li>□ The school must take immediate steps to fully implement their existing career and technology education data system.</li> <li>□ The school must develop and implement a system that ensures that student data are entered at the school level so that required career and technology education extractions can be conducted. The system must ensure:</li> <li>• People responsible for data entry have a complete understanding of the SASI system, the data to be collected, and the appropriate fields to be used.</li> <li>• Communication and collaboration exist between the district level and the high school/career center level during the data entry and extraction process.</li> <li>• The accuracy of data is checked prior to submission to the Office of Career and Technology Education.</li> <li>• Data are used as a management tool in guiding local improvement efforts.</li> <li>• Data are shared with appropriate staff, the local school board, parents, and the community.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ Provide professional development activities for appropriate district level and high school/career center people on:         <ul> <li>data collection;</li> <li>the SASI system;</li> <li>data entry/extraction process;</li> <li>checking accuracy of data; and</li> <li>utilizing data as a management tool to guide improvement efforts.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Office of School Quality</li> <li>□ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.</li> </ul>

14.9	SC School-To- Work Transition Act Guidelines	* Review for HS and CC  The district has established a local school-to-work advisory committee to address unique employment needs of the area and to assess the rigor and relevancy of the school-to-work system.  (District Driven Indicator)  Findings:		Office of Career and Technology Education   ☐ Provide guidance to the district in establishing a local school-to-work advisory committee.  ☐ Office of School Quality
		<ul> <li>Not applicable</li> <li>□ The above indicator is fulfilled.</li> <li>□ A local school-to-work advisory committee exists; however, the committee does not address the employment needs of the area nor does it assess the rigor and relevancy of the school-to-work system.</li> <li>□ The results of the program quality review and recommendations of the local school to work advisory committee made to the school district board of trustees are not reported in the district's strategic plan.</li> <li>☑ A local school-to-work advisory committee has not been established.</li> </ul>	The local school to work advisory committee must conduct a program quality review (at least once every three years) to assess the rigor and relevancy of the school-to-work system.  Results and recommendations of the local school-to-work advisory committee must be submitted to the district's board of trustees to be reported in the district strategic plan.  The district must establish a local school-to-work advisory committee to address the unique employment needs of the area.	Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

FOCU	S AREA	A: Leadership and Governance
Number L&G 15		<b>STANDARD:</b> The school provides appropriate services to students who, for behavioral or academic reasons, are not benefiting from the regular school program or may be interfering with the learning of other students.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 15.1	59-63- 1300	▶ An alternative school program is available for students who for behavioral or academic reasons are not benefiting from the regular school program or may be interfering with the learning of other students.		Office of Safe Schools and Youth Services  Assist districts with organizing or reorganizing alternative school programs.
		▶ (District Driven Indicator)  Findings:		Office of Technology  Encourage and provide guidance on the use of alternative instructional delivery strategies.
		The above indicator is fulfilled.  ☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  ☐ An alternative school is available. However, it does not have the capacity to serve all students that need this service.	The district leadership must conduct an analysis to determine the feasibility and benefits of establishing an alternative school program. The analysis must include partnering with other districts as an option.	Office of School Quality  Broker or provide assistance with the evaluation of alternative school programs.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		The district and school do not have an alternative school program.		

If an alternative school program is established, it must comply with the indicators below.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 15.2	59-63- 1310	<ul> <li>▶ Alternative school programs are operated at a site separate from other school buildings on campus or at a separate time from normal school hours, providing complete separation from other students (unless the school has a waiver from the SDE).</li> <li>▶ (District Driven Indicator)</li> <li>Findings:         <ul> <li>Not applicable</li> <li>The above indicator is fulfilled.</li> <li>The programs are not operated at a site separate from other school buildings on campus or at a separate time from normal school hours, providing complete separation from other students.</li> <li>The school has a waiver from the SDE.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	The school must immediately comply with the statutes found in the Education Accountability Act that mandate alternative school programs to be operated at a site separate from other school buildings on campus or at a separate time from normal school hours, providing complete separation from other students. If this separation is not possible, the school must obtain a waiver from the SDE.	Office of Safe Schools and Youth Services  Assist districts with organizing or reorganizing alternative school programs.  Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 15.3	59-63- 1320	The school has clear guidance and procedures for the referral of any student into an alternative school program, including  • due process procedures,  • consideration of the requirements of the IDEA, and  • written and distributed academic and disciplinary policies.	The school leadership must immediately revise and distribute guidelines and procedures for the referral of students into an alternative program ensuring that the guidelines include <u>due process</u> procedures.	Office of Safe Schools and Youth Services  ☐ Audit alternative school programs for compliance to state guidelines.  ☐ Provide guidance to districts for establishing alternative school programs.
		Findings:  ☐ Not applicable  ☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.	The school leadership must immediately revise and distribute guidelines and procedures for the referral of students into an alternative program ensuring that the guidelines include requirements of the <u>IDEA</u> .	Office of Exceptional Children  Provide guidance with regard to compliance and testing.  Office of School Quality
		<ul> <li>☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.</li> <li>☐ The written guidelines and procedures do not contain due process procedures.</li> <li>☐ The written guidelines and procedures do not contain consideration of the requirements of the IDEA.</li> </ul>	The school leadership must immediately revise and distribute written guidelines and procedures for the referral of students into an alternative program ensuring that the guidelines include academic and disciplinary policies.  The school leadership must immediately establish guidelines and procedures for the referral of students into an alternative program including all of the areas addressed above.	☐ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		<ul> <li>☐ The written guidelines and procedures do not contain written and distributed academic and disciplinary policies.</li> <li>☐ There are no written guidelines and procedures for the referral of students into an alternative program.</li> </ul>		

FOCUS AREA: Leadership and Governance				
Number L&G 16		<b>STANDARD:</b> The principal fosters the success of all students by acting as the school's instructional leader by leading the development, alignment, and implementation of the instructional and assessment strategies.		

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 16.1		The principal communicates a clear mission that focuses on student achievement.  Findings:  ☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.  ☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  ☐ The school has a mission that reflects a focus on student achievement. However, it is not communicated to all key stakeholders.  ☐ The school does not have a clear mission that reflects a focus on student achievement.	<ul> <li>☐ The principal must take immediate steps to communicate the school's student focused mission to all key stakeholders.</li> <li>☐ The principal must take immediate steps to develop and communicate a school mission that is clear and reflects a focus on student achievement.</li> </ul>	Office of School Quality  Provide guidance and/or workshops on the development and communication of a school vision and mission.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 16.2		The principal routinely monitors teachers' instructional practices to improve student achievement.		Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		Findings:		
		☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.		
		☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.		
		<ul> <li>The principal occasionally monitors teachers' classroom instructional practices to improve student achievement.</li> <li>The principal does not monitor teachers' classroom instructional practices.</li> </ul>	The principal must take action to routinely monitor teachers' classroom instructional practices to ensure they are focused on improving student achievement.	

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 16.3		The principal ensures that the delivery of instruction is aligned with the curriculum, and ensures that teachers use research-based instructional strategies and multiple forms of assessment.		Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		Findings:  ☐ The above indicator is fulfilled. ☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled. ☐ Some but not all, instructional delivery is aligned with the curriculum. ☐ Some but not all teachers use research-based instructional strategies and multiple forms of assessment. ☐ The curriculum is aligned and teachers use research-based instructional strategies. However multiple forms of assessment are not employed. ☐ The principal does not ensure that instructional delivery is aligned with the curriculum, and teachers do not use research-based instructional strategies and multiple forms of assessment.	☐ The principal must take action to ensure that instructional delivery is aligned with the curriculum, and ensure that teachers use research-based instructional strategies and multiple forms of assessment.	Office of Curriculum and Standards  Provide guidance and/or workshops on how to align instructional delivery with the curriculum and research-based instructional strategies.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 16.4		The principal consistently uses the majority of faculty meetings to discuss strategies and activities that focus on student achievement.  Findings:  ☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.  ☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  ☐ Some time at faculty meetings is dedicated to		Office of School Quality  ☐ Provide guidance and/or workshops on how to conduct effective faculty meetings. ☐ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		student achievement issues. However, student achievement is not the main focus of the meetings.  The principal does not use the majority of faculty meetings to discuss activities related to student achievement.	☐ The principal must take steps to structure faculty meetings so that the majority of time and effort in each meeting is used to discuss activities related to student achievement.	
L&G 16.5		The school has an Academic Leadership Team (ALT) consisting of key school personnel. The ALT meets on a regular basis to resolve instructional issues.  Findings:		Office of School Quality  Provide guidance and/or workshops on how to establish and effectively utilize an Academic Leadership Team (ALT).  Monitor the implementation of the
		<ul> <li>☑ The above indicator is fulfilled.</li> <li>☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.</li> <li>☐ The school has an ALT. However, membership does not consist of appropriate school personnel.</li> <li>☐ The school has an ALT. However, the frequency of meetings is not sufficient to resolve instructional issues.</li> <li>☐ The school does not have an ALT consisting of key school personnel that meets on a regular basis to resolve instructional issues.</li> </ul>	☐ The principal must immediately create an Academic Leadership Team (ALT) consisting of key school personnel. The principal must ensure that the ALT meets on a regular basis and is focused on resolving instructional issues.	recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
L&G 16.6		The principal consistently uses student performance data to make instructional decisions.  Findings:  ☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.  ☐ The principal does not routinely use student performance data to make instructional decisions.  ☐ The principal does not use student performance data to make instructional decisions.	☐ The principal must establish a data-driven decision making process which ensures that student performance data is consistently used when making instructional decisions.	Office of School Quality  ☐ Provide guidance and/or workshops on how to uses student performance data to make instructional decisions.  ☐ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
L&G 16.7		The principal actively encourages teachers to have high expectations for all students.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  The principal sets high expectations for all students, but does not does actively promote these expectations.  The principal does not set high expectations for students. The climate of the school does not encourage all teachers to have high expectations for all students.	<ul> <li>☐ The principal must actively encourage teachers to have high expectations for all students.</li> <li>☐ The principal must set high expectations for all students and take immediate steps to create a culture in the school that encourages all teachers to have high expectations for all students.</li> </ul>	Office of School Quality  Provide guidance and/or workshops on how to create a culture in the school that encourages all teachers to have high expectations for all students.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.



## Intervention and Assistance Team Office of School Quality

**Division of Professional Development and School Quality** 

#### **Curriculum and Instruction**

**School Year 2003 – 2004** 

FOCU	FOCUS AREA: Curriculum and Instruction			
Number	Reference	<b>STANDARD:</b> The curricula are aligned with the state standards and annually reviewed and revised to address gaps in student academic		
C&I	59-18-	performance.		
1	110			

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
C&I 1.1	59-18- 110	The curricula are aligned with state and local standards and are understood and used by teachers.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  Curricula are aligned, however, the majority of teachers do not evidence an understanding of the curricula.  The majority of teachers use the designated curricula, however, it is not aligned to the state standards.  There are no local curricula.	<ul> <li>□ The school leadership must provide profed development and support to help teacher understand and properly use the curricula</li> <li>□ The school leadership must direct the align of existing local curricula with state standard and must provide time and opportunity for teachers to develop the curricula.</li> <li>□ The school leadership must monitor use of curricula to include component of cross-referencing with state standards.</li> <li>□ The school leadership must develop a platimeline for development of local curricula aligned with state standards.</li> </ul>	regarding the steps toward alignment of curriculum with standards.  Assist schools in the alignment of local curriculum with state standards.  Provide professional development in standards implementation for science and mathematics.  Office of Technology  In and  Provide professional development in the

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
C&I 1.2	59-18- 110	The curricula are reviewed and revised to address identified gaps in student performance.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  The curricula are reviewed and revised, however, changes in the curricula are not based on identified gaps in student performance.  There is no documentation to indicate that the	The school leadership must develop and implement a plan for the regular review and revision and/or modification of curricula on the basis of student performance data.	Office of Curriculum and Standards  Provide training in the six steps of the Standards in Practice model.  Facilitate the process to obtain a curriculum calibration and assist in a review of the curriculum with a focus the curriculum calibration report.
		curricula are reviewed and revised.  There are no local curricula.	The school leadership must develop a plan and timeline for development of local curricula that is aligned with state standards.	- "

FOCU	FOCUS AREA: Curriculum and Instruction			
Number C&I 2		<b>STANDARD:</b> The school has an established system that provides a regimented, ongoing assessment of all students. This system is used to determine student learning, diagnose class and individual student needs, and address those needs.		

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
C&I 2.1	59-20-60	The school leadership team organizes and facilitates activities that foster the capacity of teachers to include assessments as part of their overall instructional strategy.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.	Recommendations	Office of School Quality  Provide information and/or workshops on assessment strategies.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		<ul> <li>☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.</li> <li>☐ The school leadership team does not regularly organize and facilitate activities that foster the capacity of teachers to include assessments as part of their overall instructional strategy.</li> <li>☐ The school leadership team does not organize and facilitate activities that foster the capacity of teachers to include assessments as part of their overall instructional strategy.</li> </ul>	☐ The school leadership team must organize and facilitate activities that foster the capacity of teachers to include assessments as part of their overall instructional strategy.	

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
C&I 2.2	59-20-60	Teachers use a variety of classroom assessments (quizzes, tests, portfolios, etc.) and assessment techniques (multiple choice, short answer, extended response, projects, etc.) to reinforce current instruction and guide future instruction.  Findings:		Office of School Quality  Provide information and/or workshops on assessment strategies.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		<ul><li>☑ The above indicator is fulfilled.</li><li>☑ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.</li></ul>		
		Some teachers use a variety of classroom assessments (quizzes, tests, portfolios, etc.) and assessment techniques (multiple choice, short answer, extended response, projects, etc.) to reinforce current instruction and guide future instruction.  The majority of teachers do not use a variety of classroom assessments (quizzes, tests, portfolios, etc.) and assessment techniques (multiple choice, short answer, extended response, projects, etc.) to reinforce current instruction and guide future instruction.	☐ The school leadership must establish and implement guidelines for teachers that requires a variety of classroom assessments (quizzes, tests, portfolios, etc.) and assessment techniques (multiple choice, short answer, extended response, projects, etc.) are used to reinforce current instruction and guide future instruction.	

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
C&I 2.3	59-20-60	All students are given comprehensive assessments ("benchmark test") in all core content areas at least three times each year to determine if they are mastering grade level standards.		Office of School Quality  Provide information and/or workshops on how to conduct "benchmark" assessments.
		Findings:		Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.		
		☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.		
		Some students receive comprehensive assessments three times each year to determine if they are mastering grade level standards.		
		Comprehensive assessments are administered less than three times each year.	☐ The school leadership must develop and implement	
		The school does not have a program that ensures that all students are given comprehensive assessments ("benchmark test") in all core content areas at least three times each year to determine if they are mastering grade level standards.	a program that ensures that all students are given comprehensive assessments ("benchmark test") in all core content areas at least three times each year to determine if they are mastering grade level standards.	

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
C&I 2.4	59-20-60	Results from the periodic comprehensive assessments are analyzed, and the results from the analyses are used to identify specific student educational needs.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  Although some results are analyzed and may be used to identify specific student educational needs, this analysis is not a routine part of the assessment process.  Results from the periodic comprehensive assessments are not analyzed.  The school does not have a comprehensive assessments program in place.	<ul> <li>☑ The school leadership must institutionalize the data analysis process to ensure comprehensive assessments are analyzed, and the results are used to identify specific student educational needs.</li> <li>☐ The school leadership must develop and institutionalize a data analysis process that ensures comprehensive assessments are analyzed and the results are used to identify specific student educational needs.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Office of School Quality</li> <li>☑ Provide information and/or workshops on how to conduct and analyze "benchmark" assessments.</li> <li>☑ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.</li> </ul>
C&I 2.5	59-20-60	Results from the periodic comprehensive assessments are analyzed and the results from the analyses are used to guide and adjust school curriculum decisions.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  Although some results are analyzed and may be used to guide and adjust school curriculum decisions, this analysis is not a routine part of the curriculum development process.  Results from the periodic comprehensive assessments are not analyzed.  The school does not have a comprehensive assessments program in place.	<ul> <li>□ The school leadership must institutionalize the data analysis process to ensure comprehensive assessments are analyzed, and the results are used to guide and adjust school curriculum decisions.</li> <li>☑ The school leadership must develop and institutionalize a data analysis process that ensures comprehensive assessments are analyzed, and the results are used to guide and adjust school curriculum decisions.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Office of School Quality</li> <li>☑ Provide information and/or workshops on how to conduct and analyze "benchmark" assessments.</li> <li>☑ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.</li> </ul>

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
C&I 2.6	59-20-60	Results from the assessments are analyzed and the results from the analyses are used to guide instruction in the school's academic assistance initiatives (homework center, tutoring program, etc.).  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  Although some results are analyzed and may be	The school leadership must institutionalize the data analysis process to ensure that comprehensive assessments are analyzed and the results are used to guide instruction in the school's academic	<ul> <li>Technical Assistance</li> <li>Office of School Quality</li> <li>☑ Provide information and/or workshops on how to conduct and analyze "benchmark" assessments.</li> <li>☑ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.</li> </ul>
		used to guide instruction in the school's academic assistance initiatives (homework center, tutoring program, etc.) this analysis is not a routine part of the academic assistance initiatives development.  Results from the periodic comprehensive assessments are not analyzed.  The school does not have a comprehensive assessments program in place.	assistance initiatives (homework center, tutoring program, etc.).  The school leadership must develop and institutionalize a data analysis process that ensures that comprehensive assessments are analyzed and the results are used to guide instruction in the school's academic assistance initiatives (homework center, tutoring program, etc.).	

FOCU	FOCUS AREA: Curriculum and Instruction				
Number	Reference	STANDARD: The curricula are assessed, monitored, and revised based upon the educational needs of students.			
C&I	59-18-				
3	360				

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
C&I 3.1	59-18- 360	The curriculum development process includes the involvement of staff, parents/guardians, members of the community, and students.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The staff is not involved in the curriculum development process.  Parents/guardians are not involved in the curriculum development process.  Community members are not involved in the curriculum development process.  Students are not involved in the curriculum development process.  The curriculum development process does not involve	The school leadership must direct the review of existing curricula with representation from staff, parents/guardians, members of the community, and parents. The school leadership should revise and/or modify existing curricula on the basis of the educational needs of the students.	Office of Curriculum and Standards  Provide workshops on curriculum development and review to all stakeholders.  Office of School Quality  Provide or broker services to provide workshops on the curriculum development process.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.  Broker the services of SCSIC to provide workshops focusing on the roles and responsibilities of SIC members.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
C&I 3.2	59-18- 360	Systematic procedures are in place to evaluate the effectiveness of the curricula on the basis of student needs and state assessment scores.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  A procedure is in place; however, interviews and/or documentation (or the lack of documentation) suggest that student needs and state assessment data are not used to assess the effectiveness of curricula.  There is no documentation to confirm that systematic procedures are in place to evaluate the effectiveness of the curriculum on the basis of student needs and state assessment scores.  There are no local curricula.	<ul> <li>The school leadership must ensure that the school follows established procedure to evaluate the effectiveness of the curricula on the basis of student needs and state assessment scores.</li> <li>The school leadership must direct a systematic procedure to evaluate the effectiveness of the curricula on the basis of student needs and state assessment scores.</li> </ul>	Office of Curriculum and Standards  ☐ Provide assistance with curriculum alignment through the curriculum calibration process.  ☐ Provide workshop training in the Data Analysis Toolkit.  Office of School Quality ☐ Provide benchmark tests.  ☐ Provide workshops on using benchmark tests.  ☐ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
C&I 3.3	59-20-60	Resources and administrative support for curriculum development, evaluation, and revision are provided.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  Resources for curriculum development, evaluation, and revision are inadequate.  Administrative support for curriculum development, evaluation, and revision are inadequate.  Resources and administrative support for curriculum development, evaluation, and revision are not provided.  There are no local curricula.	The school leadership must immediately develop and implement a process for resource allocation and administrative support for curriculum development and revision.	Office of Curriculum and Standards  Provide workshops for training district administrators and teachers on curriculum review, evaluation, and revision.  Office of School Leadership  Provide the CP&L School Leadership Executive Institute component entitled "Data Driven Decision Making."  Office of School Quality  Broker services for consultants to do curriculum evaluation.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
C&I 3.4	59-18- 360	Staff responsibilities for curriculum development activities are identified.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  Staff responsibilities for curriculum development activities are identified; however, there is a lack of accountability or follow-up.  Staff responsibilities for curriculum development activities are not identified.	<ul> <li>☐ The school leadership must follow-up and hold teachers accountable for assigned responsibilities in the curriculum development process.</li> <li>☐ The school leadership must immediately assign staff responsibilities for curriculum development and disseminate responsibilities to the staff.</li> </ul>	Office of School Leadership  □ Provide the CP&L School Leadership Executive Institute component entitled "Data Driven Decision Making."  Office of School Quality □ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
C&I 3.5	59-18- 360	Each curriculum is revised to address gaps in student performance on state assessments.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  Curriculum revisions do not fully address gaps in student performance.  Curriculum revisions do not address gaps in student performance on state assessments.  There are no local curricula.	The school leadership must direct the revision of curricula using data from student performance on state assessments specifically focused on addressing gaps in student performance.	Office of Curriculum and Standards  ☐ Provide assistance with curriculum alignment through the curriculum calibration process.  ☐ Provide workshop training in the Data Analysis Toolkit.  Office of School Quality  ☐ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
C&I 3.6	59-18- 900	Disaggregated data are reviewed, analyzed, and used to plan for improvement.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  Disaggregated data are reviewed and analyzed, however, the results of the analyses are not used to plan for improvement.  Disaggregated data are not reviewed, analyzed, and used to plan for improvement.	<ul> <li>□ The school leadership must review existing process of data analysis and revise and/or modify to include the use of disaggregated data to plan for improvement.</li> <li>□ The school leadership must immediately establish a process to review, analyze and use disaggregated data to plan for improvement.</li> </ul>	Office of Curriculum and Standards  ☐ Provide training for administrators in the use of the Data Analysis Toolkit.  Office of School Leadership  ☐ Provide the CP&L School Leadership Executive Institute component entitled "Data Driven Decision Making."  Office of School Quality  ☐ Provide resources for systematic data analysis.  ☐ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

FOCU	FOCUS AREA: Curriculum and Instruction				
Number	Reference	STANDARD: The school and/or district use data to improve its curricula and instruction.			
C&I	59-18-				
4	900				

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
C&I 4.1	59-18- 900	The school and district annually review longitudinal student performance data and use this information to evaluate the effectiveness of the existing programs. Curricula and instructional programs are adjusted as necessary.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  Longitudinal student performance data is reviewed, however, curricula and instructional programs are not adjusted based on the review.  Longitudinal student performance data is not reviewed.	<ul> <li>□ The school leadership must direct the review and revision and/or modification of the current practice of evaluating longitudinal student performance data to include how data will be used to make changes to curricula and instructional programs.</li> <li>□ The school leadership must direct the annual review of longitudinal student performance data and the use of this information to evaluate the effectiveness of the existing programs and resulting revisions and/or modifications.</li> </ul>	Office of Curriculum and Standards  Provide assistance with curriculum alignment through the curriculum calibration process.  Provide training in the Data Analysis Toolkit.  Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

FOCU	FOCUS AREA: Curriculum and Instruction				
Number	Reference	<b>STANDARD</b> : Each staff member and student have access to resources of the type and in the quantity needed to implement the curricula of the			
C&I	59-18-	school effectively.			
5	110				

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
C&I 5.1	59-18- 700	Instructional materials, resources, and learning activities are aligned with the curricula and local and state standards. Instructional equipment is appropriate to the curricula and up to date; students have the necessary learning materials.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.	The school leadership must direct a review existing instructional materials, resources, and learning activities for alignment with local and	Office of Curriculum and Instruction  ☐ Provide training in selection of appropriate instructional materials, resources, and learning activities through the Standards in Practice model.  Office of School Leadership ☐ Provide new principals with training in the allocation of resources through the
		<ul> <li>☐ Instructional materials, resources, and learning activities are not aligned with the curricula and local and state standards.</li> <li>☐ Instructional equipment is not appropriate to the curricula.</li> <li>☐ Students do not have the access to necessary learning materials.</li> <li>☐ Instructional materials, resources, and learning activities are not aligned with the curricula and local and state standards. Instructional equipment is not appropriate to the curricula and up to date; students do not have the necessary learning materials.</li> </ul>	The school leadership must determine a plan to replace instructional equipment that does not evidence alignment with local and standards.  The school leadership must review methods of allocation and revise and/or modify these methods to ensure appropriate provision of instructional materials and/or learning resources to all students.	Leadership Academy's Principal Induction Program.  Office of School Quality  Provide training in developing guidelines for selecting appropriate materials and/or learning resources.  Provide training in developing learning activities that support alignment with state and local standards.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
C&I 5.2	59-18- 110	Professional staff members are involved in the selection of instructional materials.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  Professional staff is somewhat involved in the selection of instructional materials, however, not in a systemic manner.  Professional staff members are not involved in the selection of instructional materials.	The school leadership must develop and implement a system for the selection of instructional materials that includes participation of staff members.	Office of School Leadership  Conduct the CP&L School Leadership Executive Institute for administrators, specifically the component entitled "Resource Allocation."  Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
C&I 5.3	59-20-60	Instructional apparatus and equipment in all laboratories, resource centers, and classrooms are maintained in good working condition and are regularly updated to meet changing needs.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled. The above indicator is partially fulfilled. Instructional apparatus and equipment in most laboratories, resource centers, and classrooms are maintained in good working condition. Instructional apparatus and equipment in laboratories, resource centers, and classrooms are updated, however, the updates do not keep pace with changing needs. Instructional apparatus and equipment in all laboratories, resource centers, and classrooms are not maintained in good working condition. Instructional apparatus and equipment in all laboratories, resource centers, and classrooms are not regularly updated to meet changing needs.	The school leadership must revise and/or modify existing plan to include a regular review of instructional apparatus and equipment in all laboratories, resource centers, and classrooms to ensure that these items are maintained in good working order and are updated regularly to meet changing needs.  The school leadership must develop a maintenance plan for the regular review of instructional apparatus and equipment in all laboratories, resource centers, and classrooms to ensure that these items are maintained in good working order and are updated regularly to meet changing needs.	Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations		Technical Assistance
C&I 5.4	59-20-60	Resources in the community are utilized to enrich the curricula.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  Some community resources are used to enhance the curricula, however, not in a systemic manner.  Resources in the community are not utilized to enrich the curricula.	The school leadership must review existing use of community resources and revise and/or modify this usage to promote effective school and community partnerships and to allow for maximum use of community's resources.  The school leadership must develop and implement a plan to use community resources to enrich the curricula.	Off	Conduct the CP&L School Leadership Executive Institute for administrators, specifically the component entitled "Involving Parents and the Community."  ice of Parental and Community Partnerships Conduct workshops on increasing community and parental involvement in school activities.  Conduct workshops on increasing school and business partnerships.  ice of School Quality  Broker the services of SICA to conduct a workshop on the role of the SIC in securing community resources.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

FOCU	FOCUS AREA: Curriculum and Instruction				
Number	Reference *STANDARD: The district and school have implemented challenging contextual instruction in math, language arts, and science, as well as				
C&I	59-52-40	instruction in SCANS and the SC Chamber of Commerce's Skills That Work.			
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	* These indicators should be reviewed for high schools and applicable career centers.				
	** These indicators should be reviewed for middle schools, high schools, and career centers.				

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
C&I 6.1	SC School-To- Work Transition Act Guidelines	* The district and school have implemented a rigorous, relevant academic curriculum that includes:  • The full complement of applied academic courses; • Ensures that applied academic methodologies must be used as a teaching strategy in  • Mathematics for the Technologies 1, 2, 3, or 4  • Communication for the Workplace 3 or 4  • Applied Biology  • Physics for the Technologies  • Chemistry for the Technologies  • Chemistry for the Technologies  • Ensures that each applied academic teacher has been trained.  Findings:    Not applicable   The above indicator is fulfilled.   The above indicator is partially fulfilled.   The district has a rigorous, relevant academic curriculum that meets the above requirements.   However, it is not being followed in the school.   Applied academic teachers have not completed applied academic institute training prior to teaching the applied academic course.   The district does not have a rigorous, relevant academic curriculum that meets the above requirements.	<ul> <li>□ The school must take immediate steps to implement the existing rigorous, relevant academic curriculum.</li> <li>□ Each teacher teaching an applied academic course should complete appropriate applied academic institute training before teaching the applied academic course. Each teacher should be certified in the appropriate academic field.</li> <li>□ The district and school must develop a rigorous, relevant academic curriculum that includes:</li> <li>• The full complement of applied academic courses;</li> <li>• Ensures that applied academic methodologies must be used as a teaching strategy in</li> <li>• Mathematics for the Technologies 1, 2, 3, or 4</li> <li>• Communication for the Workplace 3 or 4</li> <li>• Applied Biology</li> <li>• Physics for the Technologies</li> <li>• Chemistry for the Technologies</li> <li>• Chemistry for the Technologies</li> <li>Ensures that each applied academic teacher has been trained.</li> </ul>	Office of Career and Technology Education  Provide staff development activities for the following instructional areas:     Applied Academics:     Mathematics for the Technologies 1, 2, 3, or 4     Communication for the Workplace 3 or 4     Applied Biology     Physics for the Technologies     Chemistry for the Technologies  Provide guidance on applied academic institute training for the teacher who will teach the applied academic course(s).  Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
C&I 6.2	SC School-To- Work Transition Act Guidelines	** The curriculum includes instruction in the skills and competencies (basic, resource, information, systems, and technology skills) identified in the SCANS (Unites States Secretary of Labor's Commission on Achieving Necessary Skills) Report and in the Skills That Work Report (South Carolina Chamber of Commerce).  Findings:  Not applicable The above indicator is fulfilled. The above indicator is partially fulfilled. The skills and competencies identified in the SCANS Report have not been incorporated into the curriculum for all students. The skills and competencies identified in the Skills That Work Report have not been incorporated into the curriculum for all students.  The skills and competencies identified in the SCANS Report and the Skills That Work Report have not been incorporated into the curriculum for all students.	<ul> <li>□ The skills and competencies suggested in the <i>SCANS Report</i> must be incorporated into the curriculum for all students.</li> <li>□ The skills and competencies suggested in the <i>Skills That Work Report</i> must be incorporated into the curriculum for all students.</li> <li>□ The skills and competencies suggested in the <i>SCANS</i> and <i>Skills That Work Report</i> must be incorporated into the curriculum for all students.</li> </ul>	Office of Career and Technology Education  □ Provide a workshop for teachers on the skills and competencies defined in the SCANS Report (skills required to enter employment).  □ Provide a workshop for teachers on the skills identified in the Skills That Work Report (skills required to be successful in the workplace).  Office of School Quality □ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.



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#### **Professional Development**

**School Year 2003 – 2004** 

FOCU	FOCUS AREA: Professional Development			
		CONTEXT: The context standards include learning communities, leadership, and resources and address the organization's system and		
PD	59-24-50	culture in which new learning will occur and be implemented.		
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Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
PD 1.1	Sp-24-50  NSDC Standards for Staff Developm ent	Learning Community - The school's professional development improves the learning of all students by organizing adults into learning communities (ongoing teams) whose goals are aligned with those of the school and district.  Model schools have learning communities that meet during a scheduled time within the school day to develop lesson plans, examine student work, monitor student progress, assess the effectiveness of instruction, and identify needs for professional learning.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  The school has established some teams that focus on student learning. However, learning communities are not integrated into routine school operations.  The school has established learning communities. However, their goals are not aligned with the school renewal plan.  The school does not organize adults into learning communities.	<ul> <li>☐ The school leadership must take action to enhance the existing learning communities to ensure that they are part of routine school operations.</li> <li>☐ The school leadership must take action to align the goals of learning communities with those in the school renewal plan.</li> <li>☐ The school leadership must take action to organize adults into learning communities (ongoing teams) whose goals are aligned with those of the school and district.</li> </ul>	Office of School Quality  Provide guidance and/or workshops on the NSDC Standards for Staff Development.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
PD 1.2	59-24-50  NSDC Standards for Staff	Leadership - Skillful school and district leaders guide instructional improvement through professional development that improves the learning of all students.  Model schools have instructional leaders who promote		Office of School Quality  Provide guidance and/or workshops on the NSDC Standards for Staff Development.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
	Developm ent	teacher learning, provide opportunities to improve instruction (e.g. learning communities), create leadership opportunities among the staff, and coordinate resources to guide instructional improvement.		recommendations of the ERT.
		Findings:		
		☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.		
		☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.		
		☐ The principal does not promote teacher learning.	☐ The principal must take action to promote teacher	
		☐ The principal does not provide opportunities to improve instruction (i.e., PD time for collaboration, peer observation, feedback).	learning.  The principal must take action to provide opportunities to improve instruction (i.e., PD,	
		☐ The principal does not create leadership opportunities among the staff (i.e., lead teacher,	time for collaboration, peer observation, feedback).	
		instructional coach, mentor).  The principal does not coordinate resources (i.e., time and money) to guide instructional	The principal must take action to create leadership opportunities among the staff (i.e., lead teacher, instructional coach, mentor).	
		improvement.  The principal does not take any action to guide instructional improvement through professional	The principal must take action to coordinate resources (i.e., time and money) to guide instructional improvement.	
	<u> </u>	development that improves the learning of all students.	The principal must take action to guide instructional improvement through professional development that improves the learning of all students including all of the actions above.	

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
PD 1.3	S9-24-50  NSDC Standards for Staff Developm ent	Resources - The school's professional development improves the learning of all students by allocating appropriate resources to support adult learning and collaboration.  Model schools coordinate resources (time and money) to facilitate job-embedded professional development and as appropriate, provide funding for conferences, workshops, coaching, stipends, facilitators, and on-site assistance to improve teaching and learning.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  Some resources are allocated to support adult learning and collaboration; however, these resources are not sufficient.  Resources are not coordinated to facilitate job-embedded professional development.  Resources are not allocated to facilitate professional development that provides collaboration with colleagues during the school day.  Resources are not allocated for other necessary professional development opportunities (conferences, coaching, stipends, facilitators and onsite assistance, workshops).  No action is taken to ensure that the school's professional development improves the learning of all students by allocating appropriate resources to support adult learning and collaboration.	<ul> <li>□ The school leadership must ensure that resources are coordinated to facilitate job-embedded professional development.</li> <li>□ The school leadership must ensure that resources are allocated to facilitate professional development that provides collaboration with colleagues during the school day.</li> <li>□ The school leadership must ensure that resources are allocated for other necessary professional development opportunities (conferences, coaching, stipends, facilitators and onsite assistance, workshops).</li> <li>□ The school leadership must take action to coordinate resources to provide appropriate professional development to support adult learning and collaboration including all the actions above.</li> </ul>	Office of School Quality  Provide guidance and/or workshops on the NSDC Standards for Staff Development.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

FOC	FOCUS AREA: Professional Development			
Numbe	Reference	<b>PROCESS:</b> The process standards refer to the design and delivery of professional development. They describe the process used to acquire		
PD	59-24-50	new knowledge and skills. Professional development should be data-driven and research-based, and have strong evaluation, design, learning,		
2		and collaboration components.		

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
PD 2.1	S9-24-50  NSDC  Standards for  Staff  Developm ent	Data-driven - The school's professional development improves the learning of all students by using disaggregated student data to determine adult learning priorities, monitor progress, and help sustain continuous improvement.  Model schools use all data (test scores, attendance, discipline, drop-out rate, retention rate, etc.) relevant to or impacting student learning to drive instructional decisions, determine the focus of adult learning, and evaluate the impact of professional development on student achievement.  Findings:  ☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.  ☐ Student data is not analyzed continuously (at least 4 times a year) to monitor and adjust the instructional program.  ☐ Disaggregated data is not used to determine professional development needs.  ☐ Teachers do not analyze student data to determine whether professional development is having desired effects on student learning.  ☐ Professional development does not use disaggregated student data to determine adult learning priorities, monitor progress, and help sustain continuous improvement.	<ul> <li>□ The school leadership must analyze student data continuously (at least 4 times a year) to monitor and adjust the instructional program.</li> <li>☑ The school leadership must use disaggregated data to determine professional development needs.</li> <li>☑ Teachers must analyze student data to determine whether professional development is having desired effects on student learning.</li> <li>□ The school leadership must take immediate steps to use a data-driven process to help improve the learning of all students including all of the actions above.</li> </ul>	Office of School Quality  ☑ Provide guidance and/or workshops on the NSDC Standards for Staff Development.  ☑ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
PD 2.2	S9-24-50  NSDC  Standards  for  Staff  Developm  ent	Evaluation - The school's professional development improves the learning of all students by using multiple sources of information to guide improvement and demonstrate its impact.  Model schools evaluate the teachers' acquisition of new skills and knowledge, how this new learning affects teaching, and in turn, how new practices affect the learning of all students. (i.e., surveys to determine the effectiveness of training, observations to evaluate the level of implementation and the students' results to determine the overall effectiveness of the professional development activities).		<ul> <li>Office of School Quality</li> <li>☑ Provide guidance and/or workshops on the NSDC Standards for Staff Development.</li> <li>☑ Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.</li> </ul>
		Findings:  ☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.  ☐ Surveys or discussions are not used to evaluate the effectiveness of professional development.  ☐ Classroom observations are not used to evaluate the level of implementation of how new learning affects teaching practices.  ☐ Students' work is not analyzed to evaluate how the changes in teachers' practices affects student learning.  ☐ The school's professional development does not use multiple sources of information to guide improvement and demonstrate its impact.	<ul> <li>□ The school leadership must use surveys or discussions to evaluate the effectiveness of professional development.</li> <li>□ The school leadership must use classroom observations to evaluate the level of implementation of how new learning affects teaching practices.</li> <li>☑ Teachers and administrators must use students' work to evaluate how the changes in teachers' practices affects student learning.</li> <li>□ The school leadership must take immediate steps to include multiple sources of information to guide improvement and demonstrate the impact of professional development including all of the actions above.</li> </ul>	

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
PD 2.3	59-24-50  NSDC Standards for Staff Developm ent	Research based - The school's professional development improves the learning of all students by preparing educators to apply research to their decision-making.  Model schools use needs assessment results to research best practices/exemplary models before adopting programs to improve teaching and promote higher student achievement.		Office of School Quality  Provide guidance and/or workshops on the NSDC Standards for Staff Development.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		Findings:		
		☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.		
		<ul> <li>☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.</li> <li>☐ Educational research is not used when selecting both content and processes for professional development (i.e., reading research reports, inviting consultants to the school, visiting schools).</li> <li>☐ Educational research is not used to compare the students on whom the research was conducted with the students in their school.</li> <li>☐ The school's professional development does prepare educators not in any way to apply research to decision making.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The school leadership must use educational research when selecting both content and processes for professional development (i.e., reading research reports, inviting consultants to the school, visiting schools).</li> <li>The school leadership must use educational research to compare the students on whom the research was conducted with the students in their school.</li> <li>The school leadership must use educational research to prepare educators to apply research in their decision-making, including the actions above.</li> </ul>	

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
PD 2.4	NSDC Standards for Staff Developm ent	Design - The school's professional development improves the learning of all students by helping teachers use appropriate learning strategies that are aligned to the intended goal of the lesson.  Model schools design professional development to enhance teachers' current skills and help them acquire new skills. Support and follow-up are essential for the practices to become a routine part of teachers' instructional repertoire (i.e. training can be combined with coaching, demonstration lessons, video models, collaboration, study groups, and action research).  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.	☐ The school leadership must use training, workshops, courses, and large group presentations	Office of School Quality  Provide guidance and/or workshops on the NSDC Standards for Staff Development.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		<ul> <li>□ Training, workshops, courses, and large group presentations are not provided to assist teachers in enhancing skills and/or acquire new skills.</li> <li>□ Professional development activities are not interactive (i.e., live video models, classroom demonstrations, coaching, study groups, or peer visits).</li> <li>□ Professional development activities are not designed to provide follow-up sessions throughout the school year.</li> <li>□ The school's professional development does not use learning strategies in any way that are appropriate to the intended goal.</li> </ul>	to assist teachers in enhancing skills and/or acquire new skills.  The school leadership must use interactive professional development activities (i.e., live video models, classroom demonstrations, coaching, study groups, or peer visits).  The school leadership must provide follow-up sessions to professional development activities throughout the school year.  The school leadership must ensure teachers use appropriate learning strategies that are aligned to the intended goal of the lesson, including the actions above.	

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
PD 2.5	S9-24-50  NSDC  Standards for  Staff  Developm ent	Learning - The school's professional development improves the learning of all students by applying knowledge about human learning and change.  Model schools conduct professional development that incorporates the instructional methods teachers are expected to use in the classroom, while considering the career stages of the faculty and the impact of the change process.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  The above indicator is partially fulfilled.  Learning methods in professional development do not model the methods teachers are expected to use with their students.  Minimal opportunities are provided for teachers to practice new skills and receive feedback on their performance (i.e., active learning, reflection, demonstration lessons, observations).  Professional development activities do not use the skills and experience teachers possess at different points in their careers (i.e., coaches, mentors, master teachers, peer assistants).  The school's professional development does not apply knowledge about human learning and change in any way.	<ul> <li>□ The school leadership must ensure that learning methods taught during professional development sessions models the methods teachers are expected to use with their students.</li> <li>□ The school leadership must provide maximum opportunities for teachers to practice new skills and receive feedback on their performance (i.e., active learning, reflection, demonstration lessons, observations).</li> <li>□ The school leadership must incorporate professional development activities that use the skills and experience teachers possess at different points in their careers (i.e., coaches, mentors, master teachers, peer assistants).</li> <li>□ The school leadership must apply knowledge about human learning and the change process to their professional development program including the actions above.</li> </ul>	Office of School Quality  Provide guidance and/or workshops on the NSDC Standards for Staff Development.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
PD 2.6	Standards for Staff Developm ent	Collaboration - The school's professional development improves the learning of all students by providing educators with the knowledge and skills to collaborate.  Model schools develop knowledge of strategies to monitor and improve group interactions, group decision-making strategies, group structures, stages of group development, conflict resolution, and effective interaction skills for team members.		Office of School Quality  Provide guidance and/or workshops on the NSDC Standards for Staff Development.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		Findings:  ☐ The above indicator is fulfilled. ☐ Professional development activities designed to instruct teachers how to collaborate is available in some, but not all of the areas listed below:  • designing lesson plans • critiquing student work • analyzing data • principals of planning • conflict resolution • team building • group dynamics • formulating questions • evaluating information ☐ The school's professional development does not in any way provide educators with the knowledge and skills to collaborate.	☐ The school leadership must provide educators with the knowledge and skills to collaborate by providing them with growth opportunities in the areas below.  • designing lesson plans • critiquing student work • analyzing data • principals of planning • conflict resolution • team building • group dynamics • formulating questions • evaluating information	

FOCU	FOCUS AREA: Professional Development		
		<b>CONTENT</b> : The content standards refer to the actual skills and knowledge that effective educators need to produce higher levels of student learning. The standards include equity, quality teaching and family involvement.	

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
PD 3.1	S9-24-50  NSDC Standards for Staff Developm ent	Equity - The school's professional development improves the learning of all students by preparing educators to understand and appreciate all students, create safe, orderly and supportive learning environments, and hold high expectations for students' academic achievement.  Model schools have professional development that helps teachers to understand the cognitive and social/emotional characteristics of students to provide all students with an appropriate curriculum. Teachers communicate high expectations for all students in an environment that is emotionally and physically safe.		Office of School Quality  Provide guidance and/or workshops on the NSDC Standards for Staff Development.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		Findings:  ☐ The above indicator is fulfilled. ☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled. ☐ Professional development opportunities are not available to help teachers understand the general cognitive and social/emotional characteristics of the students they teach. ☐ Professional development opportunities are not available to provide differentiated learning activities and various ways to assess student progress.	<ul> <li>Professional development opportunities must be provided to help teachers understand the general cognitive and social/emotional characteristics of the students they teach.</li> <li>Professional development opportunities must instruct teachers on how to provide differentiated learning activities and various ways to assess student progress.</li> <li>Professional development activities must provide knowledge and skills on how to establish safe and orderly learning environments.</li> </ul>	

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
		<ul> <li>□ Professional development activities are not available to provide teachers knowledge and skills to establish safe and orderly learning environments.</li> <li>□ The school's professional development does not in any way prepare educators to understand and appreciate all students, create safe, orderly and supportive learning environments, and hold high expectations for their academic achievement.</li> </ul>	☐ The school leadership must prepare educators to understand and appreciate all students, create safe, orderly and supportive learning environments, and hold high expectations for students' academic achievement, including the actions above.	
PD 3.2	59-24-50  NSDC Standards for Staff Developm ent	Quality Teaching - The school's professional development improves the learning of all students by deepening educators' content knowledge, providing them with research-based instructional strategies to assist students in meeting rigorous academic standards, and preparing them to use various types of classroom assessments appropriately.  Model schools have teachers who participate in sustained, rigorous professional development in the subjects they teach. Teachers receive training relative to teaching, the means by which they assess student progress and the research regarding human learning and development.  Findings:  The above indicator is fulfilled.  Professional development activities are not available for teachers to deepen their understanding of the subject(s) they teach.	<ul> <li>□ The school leadership must provide professional development activities that deepen teachers' understanding of the subject(s) they teach.</li> <li>□ The school leadership must provide professional development activities that deepen teachers' understanding of the strategies they use to teach those subjects.</li> <li>□ The school leadership must provide professional development activities that deepen teachers' understanding of the way in which they assess student progress.</li> <li>□ The school leadership must provide professional development activities that deepen teachers' understanding of the instructional approaches they will use with their students (i.e., workshops/courses with classroom follow-up, participation in study groups, visit high performing classrooms, observe demonstration lessons, classroom coaching).</li> </ul>	Office of School Quality  Provide guidance and/or workshops on the NSDC Standards for Staff Development.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
		<ul> <li>□ Professional development activities are not available for teachers to deepen their understanding of the strategies they use to teach.</li> <li>□ Professional development activities are not available for teachers to deepen their understanding of the way they assess student progress.</li> <li>□ Professional development activities are not available for teachers to deepen their understanding of the instructional approaches they will use with their students (i.e., workshops/courses with classroom follow-up, participation in study groups, visit high performing classrooms, observe demonstration lessons, classroom coaching).</li> </ul>	The school leadership must provide professional development activities that deepen educators' content knowledge, providing them with research-based instructional strategies to assist students in meeting rigorous academic standards, and preparing them to use various types of classroom assessments appropriately including the actions above.	
		☐ The school's professional development does not deepen educators' content knowledge, providing them with research-based instructional strategies to assist students in meeting rigorous academic standards, and preparing them to use various types of classroom assessments appropriately.		

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
PD 3.3	59-24-50  NSDC Standards for Staff Developm ent	Family Involvement - The school's professional development improves the learning of all students by providing educators with the knowledge and skills to involve families and other stakeholders appropriately.  Model schools communicate and build partnerships with families and the community to increase home-school relationships that support student learning.		Office of School Quality  Provide guidance and/or workshops on the NSDC Standards for Staff Development.  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		Findings:  ☐ Professional development activities designed to instruct teachers on how to involve families and other stakeholders is available in some, but not all of the areas listed below:  • Parenting • Communicating • Volunteering • Learning at Home • Decision Making • Collaborating with the Community  ☐ The school's professional development does not provide educators with knowledge and skills to involve families and other stakeholders appropriately.	<ul> <li>□ The school leadership must provide educators with the knowledge and skills to involve families and other stakeholders including all of the areas below.</li> <li>• Parenting</li> <li>• Communicating</li> <li>• Volunteering</li> <li>• Learning at Home</li> <li>• Decision Making</li> <li>• Collaborating with the Community</li> <li>(Note: see L&amp;G 12 for more details on Parent/Family programs)</li> </ul>	

FOCU	FOCUS AREA: Professional Development			
		<b>STANDARD:</b> The school has established programs that provide formal guidance to teachers and administrators on their individual professional growth.		

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
PD 4.1	59-26-40	Individual growth plans for teachers are supportive of the school renewal plan		Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		Findings:		
		☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.		
		☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.		
		Individual growth plans generally support the school renewal plan but must be brought up to date to be more closely aligned.	The school leadership must review the individual growth plans of all teachers to ensure that they support the school renewal plan.	
		☐ The individual growth plans of teachers do not support the school renewal plan.	☐ The school leadership must direct all teachers to complete individualized professional growth plans	
		Teachers have not completed individualized professional growth plans.	that support the school renewal plan.	

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
PD 4.2	<b>Reference</b> 59-26-40	Indicator  All administrators have an individual, ongoing professional growth plan that is updated annually, is appropriate to their roles or positions, and supports their individual growth and organizational needs.  Findings:  ☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.  ☐ Administrator professional growth plans are generally appropriate to their roles or positions, and support their individual growth and organizational needs; however, they need to be updated.	The school leadership must review the professional growth plans of all administrators to ensure that they are appropriate to their roles or positions, and support their individual growth and organizational needs.	Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		<ul> <li>The professional growth plans growth plans of administrators are not appropriate to their roles or positions, and do not support their individual growth and organizational needs</li> <li>Administrators do not have individualized professional growth plans.</li> </ul>	All administrators must develop individualized professional growth plans that are appropriate to their roles or positions, and support their individual growth and organizational needs.	

Number	Reference	Indicator	Recommendations	Technical Assistance
PD 4.3	59-26-40	New principals are enrolled in a formalized induction program.		Office of School Quality  Monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the ERT.
		Findings:		
		☑ Not applicable		
		☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.		
		☐ The above indicator is partially fulfilled.		
		☐ The school district provides some informal services for new principals; however, they do not have a formal program.	☐ The school district must provide a formalized	
		☐ The school district does not provide any induction services for principals serving for the first time as head building administrators.	induction program for school principals serving for the first time as head building administrators.	



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## **Performance**

**School Year 2003 – 2004** 

FOCUS	FOCUS AREA: Performance			
Number Per 1	59-18-310	<b>STANDARD:</b> Schools who enroll students in grades three through eight use the PACT to measure the degree to which the school has successfully imparted knowledge and skills in the core curriculum. The school achieves a high level of performance or demonstrates improvement in performance on the PACT.*		
		*This standard should be reviewed only for schools serving grades three through eight.		

Number	Reference	Indicator/Findings	
Per 1.1	59-18-310	A review of the latest school report card indicates that the school has an absolute rating of average or above.	
		Findings:	
		<ul> <li>Not applicable</li> <li>□ The above indicator is fulfilled.</li> <li>□ A review of the latest school report card indicates that the school has an absolute rating of below average or unsatisfactory.</li> </ul>	
Per 1.2	59-18-310	A review of the latest school report card indicates that the school has an improvement rating of average or above.	
		Findings:	
		<ul> <li>Not applicable</li> <li>☐ The above indicator is fulfilled.</li> <li>☐ A review of the latest school report card indicates that the school has an improvement rating of below average or unsatisfactory.</li> </ul>	

FOCUS	US AREA: Performance			
Number Per 2	<b>Reference</b> 59-18-310	<b>STANDARD:</b> Schools that enroll students in grades nine through twelve use Exit Examination success and eligibility for LIFE Scholarships to measure the degree to which the school has successfully imparted knowledge and skills in the core curriculum.*		
		*This standard should be reviewed only for schools serving grades nine through twelve.		

Number	Indicator/Findings
Per 2.1	A review of the latest school report card indicates that the school has an absolute rating of average or above.
	Findings:
	<ul> <li>Not applicable</li> <li>The above indicator is fulfilled.</li> <li>A review of the latest school report card indicates that the school has an absolute rating of below average or unsatisfactory.</li> </ul>
Per 2.2	A review of the latest school report card indicates that the school has an improvement rating of average or above.
	Findings:
	<ul> <li>Not applicable</li> <li>The above indicator is fulfilled.</li> <li>A review of the latest school report card indicates that the school has an improvement rating of below average or unsatisfactory.</li> </ul>



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## Comments and On-site Assistance Recommendations

**School Year 2003 – 2004** 

#### Comments

#### School: Allendale-Fairfax High School District: Allendale County

**This section is not mandatory.** However, it is available for any specific bulleted commendations or comments that would help improve student and school performance.

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## On-Site Recommendations 2004–05 School Year

School: Allendale-Fairfax High Schoo	ol District: Allendale County
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#### LEADERSHIP and GOVERNANCE

Based on the results of the external review, we recommend placement of the following leadership and governance personnel for this school.

2004-05 Leadership and Gove	ernance Reco	ommendations
Principal Specialist (replaces and acts as the school principal)	YES 🖂	NO 🗆
Principal Leader (acts as a full time coach and mentor for the principal)	YES 🗌	NO 🗵
Principal Mentor (acts as a part time coach and mentor)	YES 🗌	NO 🛛
Note: Each school can only receive one of the above personnel.		

#### CURRICULUM

Based on the results of the external review, we recommend placement of a Curriculum Specialist in this school.

2004-05	Curriculum Specialist Recommendations
YES 🖂	NO 🗆

School: <u>Allendale-Fairfax High School</u> District: <u>Allendale County</u>

#### INSTRUCTION -

Based on the results of the external review, we recommend placement of Teacher Specialists in the following grades or content areas:

Select a "1" b	y the first priority	for TSOS, a "2" by the second p	GOS Recommendations priority for TSOS, and so on until all ven a priority.	the recommended TSOS placements
Eleme	ntary School	Middle School	High School	Specialized
Kindergarter				
First grade	0	English 0	English 1	Special Education 🗵
Second grade	0	Mathematics 0	Mathematics 2	English proficiency
Third grade	0	Science 0	Science 3	(LEP)
Fourth grade	0	Social Studies 0		
Fifth grade	0			